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Head Of Record Firm Was Success Story

Jack Kapp, president of Decca Records, Inc., died after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage in a taxi on the way to his home at 131 East Sixty-fourth Street, New York, from his office at 50 West Fifty-seventh Street. His age was 47.

Mr. Kapp, according to his associates, had been paying Bing Crosby royalties of $800,000 a year. He signed Mr. Crosby on contract soon after he founded the Decca company in 1933. Many other top stars, including Al Jolson, the Andrew Sisters and Danny Kaye, were also on his contract list.

Mr. Kapp was born in Chicago and had been in the record business since he was fourteen. As a matter of fact, he was associated with the business before that. His father was a salesman for the Columbia Phonograph Company and Mr. Kapp used to accompany him on his rounds, driving the buggy and helping to set up the portable phonograph and demonstrate records.

He got a part-time job with the company when he was fourteen and three years later, when he had finished school, he went to work full time as a shipping clerk. In another year he was a salesman.

He had a stern devotion to his job, a gift for making friends and a keen sense of what the ordinary man wanted to hear come out of a phonograph. It was a combination which made a fortune for him.

At twenty-five he went to work for the Brunswick company and began to get acquainted with the people who made recordings and those whom he thought ought to be making recordings. Ted Lewis, Van and Schenck, Marilyn Miller, Al Jolson, Guy Lombardo and a good many others were charmed by him. [illegible] when record sales had [illegible] Mr. Kapp [illegible] thing might be recouped by an alliance with a British company and was sent to England.

There he met E. R. Lewis, proprietor of Decca, Ltd., a record-selling company. Both were convinced that cutting down the price of American records would do a lot for the business in the United States and Mr. Kapp returned to sell the idea to Brunswick. In fact, he came back with an ultimatum: either he would become president and put out the 35-cent records or he would resign.

He resigned. But he kept his idea and put it across with the help of funds obtained through Mr. Lewis. Mr. Lewis's Decca company had

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Israel Needs Masses To Defend Gains

The Israeli Foreign Ministry is making a determined bid to convince the Soviet bloc countries that recent restrictions on the departure of Jews to Israel are incompatible with their strong support in the United Nations for the new state.

A personal note from Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett to Ana Pauker, Rumanian Foreign Minister, explaining this position was followed by demarches to the capitals of other European countries that regard Zionism as reactionary and nationalistic but support Israel for humanitarian and political reasons.

The keynote of the Israeli argument is that "to be pro-Israel and anti-Zionist is equivalent to being pro-Russian and anti-Communist—it is incongruous."

Unless masses of Jews come to Israel and settle barren stretches in the Negeb and Galilee, Israel will be unable to defend her newly conquered territory, it is argued.

Diplomatic action follows a vir-

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Great S.A. Pioneer Died U.S. Citizen

Isadore William Schlesinger, an American citizen, born in New York, who was an important South African business leader, died in his home at Johannesburg. His age was 78. He had suffered from rheumatoid arthritis for many years.

After landing in Capetown in 1894 as a penniless emigrant, Mr. Schlesinger was supposed to have sold his watch to pay the fare to Johannesburg. Within ten years he [illegible] had sold insurance in the United States.

Mr. Schlesinger launched many enterprises, becoming a director of seventy corporations. He was best known as the founder of African Consolidated Theatres, Ltd., but he branched out successively into chain stores, hotels, banking and citrus growing. He was a pioneer of radio broadcasting in South Africa.

His only failure was in the newspaper field. In 1935 he produced papers in Johannesburg and Durban on the American style and also organized his own news service, known as Africops. The fight against vested interests proved too

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A.J.C. Claims U.S. Act Blocks Aid To Israel

Charges that a section of the Nationality Act of 1940 was aimed at discouraging naturalized Americans from supporting the Zionist program in Palestine, and a demand that the section be held unconstitutional were made public by the American Jewish Congress.

The group announced it had filed a brief in a case now pending before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington. The case involves Louis Bernard Lapides, New York restaurant manager who became a naturalized citizen in 1928, but was told on his return to the United States in 1947, after thirteen years in Palestine, that he had lost his citizenship. Mr. Lapides is appealing an exclusion order which would mean his deportation as a stateless Jew, says the New York Herald Tribune.

At stake is Section 404 (c) of the Nationality Act, providing in substance that citizenship of naturalized citizens shall be automatically forfeited by residence abroad for more than five years. Will Maslow, Shad Polier and Sanford H. Bolz, as attorneys for the Congress, contended this creates "an unconstitutional distinction between native-born and naturalized citizens."

The brief conceded the validity of statutes aimed at fraudulent or illegal naturalization. But, in arguing against automatic loss of citizenship simply for long residence abroad, it cited the recently adopted United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which says "every one has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country."

Enactment of the section, the brief said, "seems largely attributable" to testimony of Richard W. Flournoy, assistant legal adviser in the State Department, before the [illegible] tee on Immigration and Naturalization.

According to the brief, Mr. Flournoy had said: "It will be desirable to put in a provision to cover each person who goes to a third country. The principal cases we have, I may say, are those Zionists. They are principally Russian and German Jews who have been naturalized in this country and later went to Palestine. We have no other cases but I mean that there are more of that par-

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Aides Deny Czech Bias Against Jews

Reports of persecution of Jews in Czechoslovakia were firmly denied in Washington by two high-ranking members of Czech officialdom who stated that they themselves and many leading members of their government were Jews.

The denials were made with direct reference to reports delivered February 27 by speakers at a meeting of the Jewish Labor Committee at Atlantic City. The speakers before the committee had stated that Jews, Catholics and Protestants behind the Iron Curtain were being subjected to growing pressure, with Czechoslovakia cited as one of the countries responsible.

The denials were made at a special press conference called at the Czech Embassy by Dr. Francis Weisskopf, Minister Counselor of the Embassy, and Arnost Polak, alternate executive director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for Czechoslovakia, Poland, Yugoslavia and Finland. Mr. Polak said he was chairman of the board of the Jewish Congregation of Prague.

Mr. Polak said that "today there are many, many Jews in the highest positions in Czechoslovakia, not only in politics but in economics and the professions." He added that marked anti-Semitism that had pervaded some professional groups before the war had almost been wiped out.

There are in Czechoslovakia, he declared, only a remnant of the Jews who lived there before the war and the Nazi occupation. He compared the pre-war population, as shown by a census taken in 1930 at approximately 254,000, to a post-war population estimated at 40,000 "at the highest."

Dr. Weisskopf remarked that Czechoslovakia was one of the first countries to grant full recognition to the new state of Israel, to receive a diplomatic mission and to begin facilitating the movement of Czechoslovak Jews who wished to migrate to Israel.

Noted Agronomist Aided Jews, U.S., And Russia

Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, agronomist, who went to Michigan from political exile in Siberia and then returned to the Russian steppes to direct resettlement of 250,000 Jews on farms in the Crimea and Ukraine after the first World War, died of a stroke in his home, at 410 Riverside Drive, New York. His age was 73.

As director of the American Jewish Joint Agricultural Corporation (Agro-Joint), he supervised farm settlement projects in Russia for Jews who had been deprived of their citizenship rights after the Russian revolution.

Dr. Rosen was the discoverer of Rosen rye, a variety of winter rye now grown in many parts of the United States, especially in Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. He was noted also for introducing American Indian maize, a farming staple of the Dakotas, into the Volga region, thus averting a repetition of the Russian famine of 1920-21, which shocked the world.

In 1940 he directed the resettlement of refugees in the Dominican Republic. As vice-president of the Dominican Republic Settlement Association, Inc., he made several trips to the colony at Sosua.

From 1924 to 1937 he supervised the administration of some $16,000,000 provided to Agro-Joint by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, major American agency aiding distressed Jews abroad.

Born in Moscow, Dr. Rosen took part in anti-Czarist politics while a student at Moscow University and was banished to Siberia for five years. After six months he escaped to Germany, where he studied at the University of Heidelberg, working his way by writing for various Russian journals.

In 1906, at the age of [illegible] he [illegible] York with 50 cents in his pocket. After doing odd jobs, he made his way West by easy stages, not having enough money for a through railroad ticket. He worked as a farm hand or as a day laborer as he went along.

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Urges Austria Ban Hate Papers

In a letter addressed to Dr. Ludwig von Kleinwaechter, Austrian Minister to the United States, Dr. Robert S. Marcus, political director of the World Jewish Congress, urged that the Austrian Government "take all necessary steps under the Austrian constitution and laws of your country" to ban "from circulation publications devoted to the spreading of racial and religious hatred." He called attention to two anti-Semitic publications now appearing in Austria, both having a wide circulation. The two publications mentioned are Die Neue Front, published in Salzburg, and Alpenrose, published in Graz. The latter publication recently bemoaned the fact that the Austrian people had "forgotten" the Nuremberg laws and had returned to their "traditional view . . . toward the chosen people."

Despite the fact that Austria's Jewish population has dwindled to about five percent of its pre-war total and the Jewish DPs are now leaving the country, the communication stated, "The World Jewish Congress is seriously concerned with the reappearance of anti-Semitism in the Austrian press, especially in such focal points as those mentioned above, for if Austria were to become a center of international anti-Semitism it would affect not only the safety and dignity of the remnants of Austrian Jewry, but the fundamental freedoms and essential rights of Jewish populations in various other countries as well.

"As you undoubtedly know," the WJC letter continued, "anti-Semitism was utilized to foment unrest and to destroy the fabric of the Austrian state as early as the 80's of the last century; it was exploited by those who wished to destroy the stability of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy, and after the first World War, the existence of an independent and democratic Austria. I need hardly recall that one of the first consequences of the fateful discussion between Hitler and Chancellor Schuschnigg in February, 1938, was the appearance of an anti-Semitic sheet, Der Volkaruf, in the cities and towns of Austria."

J.D.C. Will Step Up Help To Jews In Squalid Moslem Settings

The 1,406,000 Jews in Europe moved from the black past to the threshold of an area of progress in 1948, but the condition of almost 1,000,000 Jews living in squalor in Muslem countries grew steadily worse as anti-Jewish outbreaks spread, according to the 1948 annual report of the Joint Distribution Committee.

The J. D. C. is the largest non-governmental agency aiding distressed Jews in foreign countries, except Israel. The United Palestine Appeal takes over the task in Israel. The J. D. C. is one of the agencies for which the United Jewish Appeal, seeking $250,000,000 in 1949, raises funds.

During 1948 the J. D. C. spent $70,600,700 aiding 700,000 Jews in twenty countries by relief, resettlement and reconstruction. The 1948 expenditures bring to $367,570,000 the sum spent by J. D. C. for overseas assistance since it was founded in 1914.

Although the situation in Europe has eased, Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the J. D. C. emphasized, there are still 600,000 Jews in Europe who continue to look to the J. D. C. for help toward self-support or emigration.

However, the section of the report by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, chairman of the J. D. C.'s European executive council discussing the problem of Jews in Moslem countries, stated flatly that the J. D. C. must give increasing assistance to them. Dr. Schwartz's statements, coupled with recent pronouncements by other American Jewish leaders, indicate that current and future fund-raising operations in the United States will be more and more directed toward aiding Middle Eastern and North African Jews, says the New York Herald Tribune.

After discussing conditions in the "mellahs" (ghettos) in French Morocco and other Middle East and North African countries, in which tragically high disease rates prevail, Dr. Schwartz said:

"Adding to the already tragic plight of Jews in Moslem areas in 1948 were anti-Semitic outbreaks. There were pogroms in Morocco, outbreaks of violence in Tripolitania, riots in Aden, lawless incidents in Iraq. In addition, Jews in many of these areas are systematically deprived of opportunities for self-support. In many countries they are no longer permitted to hold office under civil service; in others, there are direct restrictions in the number who can be employed in a given private enterprise.

"J. D. C. stepped up its traditional aid to these areas in 1948, appropriating $893,000 for emergency and other aid. Faced with steadily deteriorating conditions, J. D. C. must undertake greatly increased assistance in 1949 for those Jews living under wretched conditions, surrounded by a sea of hostility, often in peril of their very lives.

"The solution of all the major problems involved in bringing the Jews in Moslem lands up to a minimum level of decency is too vast in scope for any voluntary non-governmental agency. But, concentrating upon the North African lands of Morocco and Tunisia, a solid beginning can be made toward helping Jews, primarily children and young adults, to health and human dignity."

In addition to the assistance needed by Jews in North Africa, Dr. Schwartz listed three other basic tasks of the J. D. C.: To aid at least 120,000 persons hoping to emigrate from Europe to Israel

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Notkin, Fulton Avenue, joined their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Louis J. Notkin, Woodbury Avenue, for the first Passover Seder.

Mrs. H. G. Finkelstein, Queen Mary Road, is spending the Passover holidays at Hotel Vermont, in Ste. Agathe.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Genser, Marlowe Avenue, had with them for the Passover Seder, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hy. Genser; their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Getz, and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hochster.

Mrs. Joseph Cohon, Notre Dame de Grace Avenue, spent three months with relatives in California.

Mrs. Adolphe Weiss, Grovehill Place, was in Atlantic City, N.J., and also visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenbloom, of Philadelphia, Pa.; and her sister, Mrs. Rae Rosenstein, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Holtman and children, Lonnie and Arnold, of Hartford, Conn., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Keyfitz, Trans Island Avenue, for the holiday.

Mrs. Abraham Cohen ... leave with the... tor the holidays their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Irving D. Wintrob, and sons, Raymond and Jonathan, of Toronto, Ont.

Mrs. Jack Freedman, Bradeur Avenue, visited Mrs. Louis Wolfe, of Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rosenthal and son, Robert, formerly of Sherbrooke Street West, have taken up new residence on Queen Mary Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sherwin, Hampton Avenue, were in New York.

Mrs. H. Pickleman, Queen Mary Road, is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pickleman, of Watertown, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolfe, Vendome Avenue, visited Mrs. Louis Wolfe, of Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller, 5260 Westbury Avenue, are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levine, of Toronto, Ont., for the Passover holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Bernstein, Trans Island Avenue, are spending several days in Toronto, Ont., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bernstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gallander, 965 Avenue Road, Toronto, are spending the Passover holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Solomon, 4885 Queen Mary Road.

Heather Tinkoff, 5117 Lacombe Avenue, is spending the Passover holidays with Mrs. M. Dirkstein, in St. Donat.

Mrs. L. Burman, Marcil Avenue, flew back from Miami, Florida, where she visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Forkin, and their son, Norman.

Mrs. W. Kushner, Queen Mary Road, gave a luncheon for her daughter, Miss Doriee Kushner, fiancee of Leon Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Carson, Mountain Sights Avenue, at Ruby Foo's, with one hundred guests. Mrs. W. Kushner received them in a brown bead... ...of yellow Talisman roses; Mrs. Carson wore a black suit, a natural straw hat, and a corsage of roses; the honoree wearing a navy-blue and white suit, with a navy-blue hat, trimmed with white, and an orchid. A floral centerpiece adorned the table. Miss Kushner is a bride-elect of June 5, the marriage to take place in the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue.

Miss Rita Blitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Blitt, Hingston Avenue, and fiancee of Frank Engelberg, son of Mrs. H. B. Rokit, Esplanade Avenue, and the late D. Engelberg, was entertained at a supper party by Mrs. A. Gans, Marie Anne Street West, and her daughter, Mrs. P. Lande, Cote St. Luc Road. There were about twenty-five guests. Mrs. Gans wore a navy-blue faille dress, with a high neckline and short sleeves; Mrs. Lande, a navy-blue faille dress, with a Chinese neckline and short sleeves; and the honoree wore a navy-blue suit, with a yellow felt bonnet. Mrs. B. Blitt poured at a table adorned with spring flowers. Miss Blitt was presented with a silver tray and old cups and saucers. The wedding will take place in Shaare Zion Synagogue on June 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Black, 4838 Melrose Avenue, celebrated the bar-mitzvah of their elder son, Harvey David, who was called to the Reading of the Law at Shaare Zion Synagogue. He is the brother of Martin Jacob, aged seven; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. Keller, St. Antoine Street; and of Mrs. S. Black, Royal Avenue, and the late Samuel Black. At kiddush, for about one hundred and fifty guests, after the services, the hostess wore a navy-blue two-piece crepe suit. Fashioned with a vestee of blue and white striped taffeta, it was trimmed with pearl buttons, and matching striped taffeta on the collar and pockets; and had a fishtail-backed jacket; and a skirt, with back fullness. Her white straw hat was trimmed with navy-blue and white taffeta. Mrs. A. Keller, grandmother, of the bar-mitzvah boy, wore a navy-blue suit, with a grey print blouse; and a grey felt hat, trimmed with flowers, and grey veiling; and Mrs. Samuel Black, the other grandmother, wore a black crepe dress, with a black ...bon. There were spring flowers on the table. The following evening, Mr. and Mrs. Black entertained one hundred guests at a dinner dance at Mirsky's. Mrs. Black wore a black lace dinner gown, over a black slip; with a sweetheart neckline, long sleeves, and straight skirt; and a purple orchid corsage. Mrs. Keller wore a sheer black ankle-length dress, over a rose-figured slip, with a corsage of red roses. Mrs. Samuel Black wore a black lace and crepe dinner gown, with pink trimming at the neckline. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. Keller, McLynn Avenue, uncle and aunt. The latter wore a grey ankle-length crepe dress, trimmed with grey metallic beading at the neckline. E. Richman, Cote St. Luc Road, the toastmaster, called on Harvey David, who spoke in thanks; A. Chados, his teacher; and Mr. Black; and the guests called on Mrs. Black to speak. There were flowers along the walls, in pastel shades, of seasonal variety; and floral centrepieces on all the tables. Also on the head table was the bar-mitzvah cake, which was white, blue and gold-colour, with Hebrew and English inscriptions; and a Torah on the top. An orchestra played throughout dinner, and for dancing afterwards.

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Ein, 4530 Girouard Avenue, celebrated the bar-mitzvah of their only son, Sigmund Hirsch, who was called to the Reading of the Law at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Rosenthal, of Toronto, Ont.; and of Hyman Ein, Sherbrooke Street West, and the late Mrs. Ein. After the services, receiving one hundred and fifty guests at kiddush and luncheon at the synagogue, Mrs. Ein wore a honey-shaded crepe dress, draped in back; with a sable scarf. She had a bronze-shaded bag, Paddy-green straw hat, with flowers, and green and [illegible] corsage of gardenias. Sigmund Hirsch made kiddush. Mrs. William B. Ein, of South Orange, N.J., an aunt of Sigmund Hirsch; Mrs. M. Rive, of Buffalo, N.Y., his cousin; Mrs. Joseph Ein, his aunt; and Mrs. Louis Richstone, poured at a V-shaped table covered with a lace cloth, with silver candelabra, and white and gold candles, and set with Dresden china. The cake was in the shape of a Bible, in white, with a gilded scroll. The flowers were daffodils, pink snapdragons, white tulips and mauve stock, arranged in standards, with palms, for receiving, and on the tables; and in vases on the stage. The trellis, dividing the hall, was covered with foliage. That evening, Sigmund Hirsch entertained fifteen friends at supper and a private screening. Present were: Ronald and Harold Rosenthal, of Toronto, Ont., his cousins; and Barry Richman, Philip Greenberg, Samuel Labow, David Fleming, Edward Silver, Norman Shacter, Roy Jonas, Charles Friedman, Robert Lunn, Edward Brodkin, Stanley Arthur, and Arthur Levitt. The following day, Mr. and Mrs. Ein held open house, afternoon and evening. Mrs. Ein wore an all-brown crepe dress, with a diamond brooch at the high neckline; long, tightly-fitted sleeves, and a full skirt, with a corsage of gardenias. Mrs. Henry Dainow, an aunt of Sigmund Hirsch, poured. Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Chaikof, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Levey, B. W. Rosenthal, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rosenthal, and sons, Ronald and Harold, all of Toronto, Ont., uncles, aunts and cousins of Sigmund Hirsch; Mrs. M. Rive, of Buffalo, N.Y., his cousin; and Dr. and Mrs. William B. Ein, of South Orange, N.J., his uncle and aunt, were present.

Dr. Louis J. Notkin, Woodbury Avenue, returned from Atlantic City, N.J., where he spent several days.

Miss Fay Silver, 5023 Jeanne Mance Street, spent two weeks visiting Mrs. M. Grossman, of Philadelphia, Pa., mother of her fiance, Morris Grossman.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Goldberg, 1910 St. Joseph Boulevard East, left on a motor trip to New York.

Mrs. H. Cohen, 150 Fairmount Avenue West, is spending the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. G. Scharf, of Minneapolis, Minn.; and on her return, will visit her cousin, Miss Ruth Scharf, of Chicago, Ill., for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Garoff, accompanied by their son, Jack Garoff, St. Urbain Street, are motoring to Toronto, Ont., and Buffalo, N. Y., where they will spend ten days.

William Elman, of Chattanooga, Tenn., is with his mother, Mrs. M. Elman and family, Stuart Avenue, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Alper, formerly Miss Bessie Goldberg, returned from their honeymoon, spent in New York and Washington, D. C., and are residing at 4826 Park Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ostrovsky, Waverly Street, returned from West Palm Beach, Florida, where they spent several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Matlin, Bernard Avenue West, returned from Newark, N. J., where they were present at the funeral service for the late Mrs. Annie Matlin, mother of Mr. Matlin.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Eisenberg, de l'Epee Avenue, had with them for the Passover Seder, their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. I. Beck, and daughters, Gloria, aged two, and Barbara, six months; and their other son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Somberg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Schwartz, 4011 St. Joseph Boulevard West, have visiting them, their daughter, Mrs. Joseph Margolian Jr., and her son, Timothy Ross, of Yarmouth, N.S., who are spending a month here.

Mrs. Arthur Friedman, Maplewood Avenue, is spending the holiday in New York.

Miss Esther Shoub, St. Catherine Road, is spending the holiday in Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wexler, Stuart Avenue, are leaving to spend several days in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gorin and daughter, Julia, Hutchison Street, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Feingersh, of Windsor, Ont.; and will spend a short time in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Gorin will return shortly, and Mrs. Gorin and Julia will remain for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Finkelstein, 683 Stuart Avenue, are moving shortly to 3320 Kent Avenue.

Mrs. Saul Cohen, 90 St. Catherine Road, is giving a luncheon for members of Shaar Hashomayim Chapter of Hadassah, on Wednesday, April 27, at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Meshman, 5253 Waverley Street, celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary on April 14. They have two children: Shirley, who is nineteen, and Nancy, fifteen.

Mrs. Edward Barkoff and children, Arnold and Victoria, 653 Roslyn Avenue, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sol. D. Silberstein, of West End, N.J.

Mrs. Archie Jacobs and Miss Sophia Hirsch, Cote des Neiges Road, and their niece, Miss Shirley Hirsch, are spending the holidays in Ivry.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Shapiro, of Philadelphia, Pa., are with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Asch, for the holidays.

Miss Geraldine Rothschild, Sherbrooke Street West, is spending the holidays in Boston, Mass.

Hyman Ein and daughter, Miss Sarah Ein, Sherbrooke Street West, who spent some time in Miami Beach, Florida, returned to Montreal for the bar-mitzvah of their grandson and nephew, Sigmund Hirsch Ein.

Mrs. Joseph Gertler, Roslyn Avenue, spent several days in New York on her return home from Florida, where she spent the season.

Mrs. Fred Maiblen, of Toronto, Ont., is with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Asch, Grosvenor Avenue, for the holidays.

Mrs. Robert Mosse and daughters, Joan and Judy, Victoria Avenue, will be in New York for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lerner, Victoria Avenue, are spending the holiday week-end at Four Seasons Lodge, in Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. Harry J. Levinson, 526 Victoria Avenue, is spending some time in Europe, visiting in Paris, France, with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hugo Meyer, and their new-born son, Harry Jonathan.

Dr. and Mrs. Simon Kirsch, Windsor Avenue, are spending the holidays in the Laurentians.

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Livingstone, Lincoln Avenue, will spend the holidays in Ivry.

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Wegler, Grosvenor Avenue, are spending the holidays in New York.

Mrs. Norma Prince, of New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Asch, Grosvenor Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Sydney Isaacs, Aberdeen Avenue, returned from Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Horwood, Ridgewood Avenue, are cruising in the Mediterranean.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cohen, Cote des Neiges Road, gave a buffet supper party. There were thirteen guests and Mrs. Maxwell Notkin assisted in serving. The flowers were red and white carnations and a seasonal variety of others.

ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement of Felice Helene, daughter of Mrs. Sabina Vineberg, 3615 Prud'homme Avenue, and the late S. L. Vineberg, to A. Sinowitch, of Philadelphia, Pa., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. Sinowitch, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Climan, St. Urbain Street, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Anne, to Benjamin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen, of Shawbridge, the wedding to take place on October 16, at Beth David Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rothstein, of Chicago, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miriam Joann, to David, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Singerman, Papineau Avenue, the wedding to take place on June 14, at Shaare Zion Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ducoffe, 4755 Ridgevale Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Nan, to Max Kaplan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boris Kaplan, 44 Nelson Avenue, the marriage to take place on June 12, at Temple Emanu-El.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Zeldman, 5387 Jeanne Mance Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to Harry [illegible], Toronto, Ontario, the marriage to take place on June 19, at Rev. M. Master's.

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and other lands; providing of funds to enable at least 100,000 persons to achieve a productive life in Europe, and continued welfare programs covering child care and religious and medical needs.

Mr. Warburg said that the establishment of the state of Israel on May 14, 1948, was the primary factor in raising the hopes of Jews. The J. D. C., he said, in 1948 helped 105,000 European Jews reach Israel and helped additional thousands find new homes in the United States, Canada, Latin America and Australia.

Moses A. Leavitt, J.D.C. executive vice-chairman, asserted in the report that one of the organization's accomplishments was restoration to complete or partial self-support of 110,000 persons, most of them heads of families. The economic reconstruction programs were carried out through 257 producers and loan co-operatives, 280 agricultural centers and 176 vocational training workshops.

Welfare programs conducted by the J. D. C. included assistance to 140,000 children in Europe of whom 32,000 lived in homes supported by the J. D. C.; educational [illegible] medical institutions supported by J. D. C. Food, clothing, medicine and other relief supplies shipped by J. D. C. during the year totalled 61,000,000 pounds.

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DEATHS

Mrs. Sarah Silverstone Myers, widow of the late Philip Myers, died at her home, 2151 Lincoln Avenue, on Friday, April 1. She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Moses Michalson (Miriam); Mrs. Claude B. Hart (Louise); and Mrs. Rose Blumenthal, of New York; and two brothers, Alex and Philip Silverstone. Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi, officiated at the service. Burial was in Mount Royal cemetery, Temple Emanu-El section.

Mrs. Hannah Yaphe died at her home, 5553 Queen Mary Road, on April 3. She is survived by her husband, Nathan Yaphe; one son, Samuel Yaphe; and by four daughters, Mrs. R. Klein (Rebecca); Mrs. H. Goodman (Dora); Mrs. P. Blond (Sarah); Mrs. L. Levy (Jeanette); eleven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat officiating. Burial was in Shaar Hashomayim cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 5553 Queen Mary Road.

Bernard Rabinovitch, formerly of Senneterre, aged sixty-three, died on Sunday, April 3. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Eva Glovinsky Rabinovitch; one son, Moe; one daughter, Mrs. J. Lewis (Mary); two grandchildren, Martin Lewis and Francean Rabinovitch; and two brothers, Hyman; and Moses, of Val d'Or. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Dr. C. N. Denburg, Rabbi, officiating. Burial was in Poale Zedeck cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 4600 Kensington Avenue.

Reuben Wolman, aged seventy-five, died suddenly on Monday, April 4. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sarah Taisf Wolman; three sons: Max, Jack, Alex.; three daughters, Mrs. B. Levitan (Becky), of Toronto, Ont.; Mrs. M. Wittenberg (Emma); Miss Bessie Wolman; four grandchildren, Zenith, Norman Philip, and Lena Marva Wittenberg; Robert Wolman; and two brothers, Lippa and William Wolman, both of Toronto, Ont. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi S. H. Herschorn officiating. Burial was in Chevra Shaas cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 6123 Esplanade Avenue.

Saul Cohen died suddenly on April 4, in his forty-seventh year. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sara Caplan Cohen; one daughter, Harriet; one son, Mortimer J.; his mother, Mrs. Toba Fishkin; three sisters, Miss Anna Cohen, of New York; Mrs. L. Katz (Betty), of Monte Bello, Calif.; Mrs. Rose Katz, of New York; and two brothers, William B. Fishkin, of New York, and Barney Cohen, of Orlando, Florida. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi Charles Hender officiating. Burial was in Chevra Shaas cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 1227 Bernard Avenue West.

Mrs. Fraida Mednick Schultz died on Friday, April 8, at the Jewish General Hospital. She is survived by two sons, Abe and Max; two daughters, Mrs. S. Brahms (Gertrude); Miss Celia Schultz; two grandchildren, Rachelle Schultz, Joel David Schultz; two brothers, Abe Mednick, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Louis Mednick, of New York; and two sisters, Mrs. S. S. Gordon (Frances); and Mrs. W. Rubman (Rae). Funeral took place from Paperman's, Dr. C. N. Denburg, Rabbi, officiating. Burial was in Chevra Kadisha cemetery. Shiva was at the home of a sister, Mrs. S. S. Gordon, 641 Outremont Avenue.

Mrs. Annie Matlin died on Saturday, April 9, at Newark, N. J. She is survived by one son, Moe Matlin, Bernard Avenue West, Montreal; two daughters, Mrs. J. Gitelson (Doris), of New York; Mrs. M. Dove (Mary), of Newark, N. J.; and seven grandchildren. Funeral took place in Patterson, N. J.

Mrs. Sarah Sherman (Chernin), aged sixty-eight, died on Friday, April 8. She is survived by her husband, Phillip Sherman; one son, Jack; two daughters, Mrs. Leo B. Schretter (Freda), of Providence, Rhode Island; Miss Hilda Sherman; and two grandchildren, Stanley and Rhona Schretter, of Providence, Rhode Island. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi S. H. Herschorn officiating. Burial was in Tolner cemetery, in Cartierville. Shiva was at the home, 705 Querbes Avenue.

BIRTHS

(Additional Montreal Births on Page Eight)

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marvin (nee Mollie Etinson), Van Horne Avenue, twin sons, premature (one stillborn), brother of Jeffrey, on March 27, at the Jewish General Hospital; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Aron Etinson, Pratt Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lifshitz, Lajoie Avenue; great-grandson of S. Capelovitch, Hutchison Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gampel (nee Lylla Glazer), de Bullion Street, a son, Harvey, brother of Philip and Arnold, on March 31; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. T. Glazer, Jeanne Mance Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. I. Gampel, de Bullion Street. Godparents are Miss Gertie Gampel, de Bullion Street; and her fiance, Jack Stein, Casgrain Street. I. Gampel, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Eric Poznansky (nee Ruth Lazar), Victoria Avenue, a daughter, Ellen, sister of Marilyn and Mark, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on March 30; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lazar, Davaar Avenue; and of Mrs. S. Green, of Logan, Utah, and the late Joel Poznansky.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller (nee Millie Alioff), Mount Royal Avenue West, a son, Michael Stephen, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 27; grandson of Mrs. H. Alioff, Mount Royal Avenue West, and the late M. Alioff; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller, de Bullion Street. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. P. Alioff, Linton Avenue. A. Miller, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hugo Meyer (nee Joan Deborah Levinson), a son, Harry Jonathan, at the American Hospital, in Paris, France, on April 3; grandson of Mrs. Harry J. Levinson, 528 Victoria Avenue, and the late Mr. Levinson; and of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Meyer, of England. At the time of their marriage in 1946, Mr. Meyer was in the Counter Intelligence Corps of the United States Army. He and Mrs. Meyer are honor graduates of McGill University.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Burton Fitch (nee Beulah Balinsky), Melrose Avenue, a son, brother of Richard Davis, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 28; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Balinsky, Coolbrook Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fitch, Cote des Neiges Road; great-grandson of Mrs. C. Mintz, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morton L. Mintz (nee Sophia Wasserman), Darlington Avenue, a son, Neil Jeffrey, brother of Monica Roberta, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on March 31. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wasserman, Jeanne Mance Street; and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mintz, Clanranald Avenue. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Mintz, McEachran Avenue. Rabbi M. J. Wachtfogel, Esplanade Avenue, held the baby during the ceremony.

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THE MAGICIAN

A Passover Story

By J. L. Peretz

Translated From The Yiddish By Evlin Yehoash Dworkin, Of New York, Daughter Of The Great Yiddish Poet, Yehoash (Solomon Bloomgarten)

To a little town in Wolin there once came a magician. And despite the fact that it was in the trying days just before Pesach, when every Jew had plenty of work, his coming caused a great stir. The man was a puzzle. He was raggedy, wore a crushed high hat, had strongly-marked Jewish features, and a shaven face. No one knew anything about him, and no one had ever seen him eat — kosher food or not. Just try to figure out a man like that! If asked "Whence?" his answer would be "From Paris." And "Whither?" "To London." "How did you get here?" "I just strayed." He never joined a minyan, not even on the Sabbath before Pesach; when an attempt was made to prevail upon him to do so, he vanished as though the earth had swallowed him, and turned up on the other side of the market-place.

He rented a hall and began to demonstrate his tricks. Such magic! He would swallow burning coals as easily as though they were barley. He pulled yards and yards of colored ribbons from his mouth. From the leg of a boot he produced sixteen turkeys—and such turkeys, the size of bears—which fluttered about all over the hall. He scraped gold coins off the soles of his shoes. When his public applauded, he whistled and lo and behold! Loaves of bread sprang about in dance-formation overhead! Again he whistled and everything disappeared: bread, ribbons, turkeys, and all!

Of course it was common knowledge that not only we have our magicians. No doubt, there were magicians in ancient Egypt who could produce even greater marvels. But why, in Heaven's name, was this magician such a pauper? Though he could scrape gold coins from the bottom of his shoes, he was unable to pay his inn-bill. Though he produced turkeys and loaves of bread from the air, he himself was thin and looked half-starved. People began to whisper; this was truly strange.

But before we come to our Pesach tale, let us let the magician and talk about Chaim-Yoneh and his wife Rivka-Beile. Chaim-Yoneh had once been a timber merchant and lost everything he owned. He then became a forest clerk, but soon lost his position. It was now many months since he had been given any work. His past winter he would not have wished on his worst enemy. But after the winter comes Pesach! and there was nothing left in his house to pawn.

Said Rivka-Beile to her husband, "Go to the Council and ask for a loan from the Pesach fund." But Chaim-Yoneh replied that he had faith, that God would come to their aid, and he refused to humble himself by asking for a loan.

Rivka-Beile searched in every corner of the house and found an old, tarnished silver spoon. Miraculous find! For years she had believed the spoon lost. But Chaim-Yoneh sold the spoon and contributed the meager proceeds to the Pesach fund. The needs of paupers, he exclaimed, came first.

Time flew by and now only a few weeks were lacking to Pesach. Still Chaim-Yoneh had faith. "God will not desert us," he assured his wife. In the quiet of the night she would weep into her pillow so that Chaim-Yoneh would not hear. This was a comfort denied her during the day, when she would pinch her cheeks to make them look healthy. The neighbors began to cast pitying glances her way. Some even asked when she was going to bake her matzos, if she had a sufficient supply of beets, and so on. Her closest friends exclaimed, "What ails you, Rivka-Beile? If you lack anything we will gladly lend it to you."

But Chaim-Yoneh rejected the help of man, and his wife had to [illegible] all kinds of evasive excuses. When their neighbors appealed to the Rabbi in their concern, he sighed and said that since Chaim-Yoneh had so much faith, there was nothing that anyone could do for him.

Rivka-Beile had not a single candle left, over which to make a blessing . . . and here it was already Pesach!

Chaim-Yoneh, returning home from the synagogue, saw all the windows in the market-place alight with holiday brightness, and only his house looking like a mourner at the feast. Still, he was not discouraged.

"If God wills it, we shall yet have a good Pesach," he mused, and entering his home called out a cheerful "Gut Yom-tov to you, Rivka-Beile." From a dark corner came her tearful reply, "Gut Yom-tov, Gut Yor."

Chaim-Yoneh came to her and asked, "Rivka-Beile! Do you know what day this is? The day of the Exodus from Egypt! No tears now. What is there to weep about? If God has not chosen to let us have our own Seder, then we shall accept His will and go to a neighbor. Everyone's door is open to us. There is a saying: let him who is hungry enter. Come, put on your

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PASSOVER QUIZ

By The Jewish Welfare Board From "The Jewish Holidays"
By Dr. Mordecai Soltes

QUESTIONS

1. By what three Hebrew names is Passover known?
2. What is the agricultural significance of Passover?
3. Describe the ceremony of "B'dikat homez" and "Biur homez."
4. What does "Seder" mean?
5. What is the Haggadah?
6. Name five symbols included in the Seder Service.
7. What are the "Arba Kosot?"
8. What is the Afikoman?
9. What Jewish custom does the Cup of Elijah typify?
10. What is an "omer?"
11. What special ceremony which is observed for forty-nine days begins on the second night of Passover?
12. Why is the ceremony of "Counting the Omer" observed?
13. In what special manner did our forefathers in Palestine observe Passover?
14. What are the four characters referred to in the Haggadah?
15. What is the Jewish custom of "ma'ot Hitim?"
16. What were the Israelites compelled to build for Pharaoh?
17. How long did the Children of Israel remain in Egypt?
18. How numerous were the Israelites whom Moses led forth from Egyptian bondage?
19. What did Moses take with him out of Egypt?
20. What American festival resembles Passover?

ANSWERS

1. Z'man Herutenu (Season of our Freedom), Hag Ha' Matot (Festival of Unleavened Bread), and Pesach.
2. It marked the early barley harvest when the Jews dwelt in Palestine.
3. It is customary for the head of the household to search for "Homez" or leaven on the night before the eve of Passover (B'dikat homez) and to remove or burn it the following morning (Biur homez).
4. "Order". It refers to the order in which the home festival service is arranged.
5. It means narration and is the name of the special ritual service recited at the Passover Seder, including the story of Israel's exodus from Egypt, hymns, Jewish folk songs and ditties.
6. Unleavened bread (matzot), bitter herbs (marror), a dish made of nuts, apples, raisins, almonds, cinnamon chopped fine and a little wine added (haroset), a roasted shank bone of a lamb (Z'roa), salt water, parsley or cress to be dipped in the salt water (karpas).
7. "Four Cups" of wine which every member of the family who participates in the Seder Service is obliged to drink during the services at the places indicated in the Haggadah.
8. During the early part of the Seder Service it is customary for the head of the household to break the middle of the three matzot into half, to wrap part of it in a napkin and to lay it aside, to be consumed at the end of the repast, in order that the meal should end with matzot. (Hence it is called "afikoman" or "dessert").
9. It is emblematic of hospitality. The Seder Service begins with an invitation to those who are hungry to enter and to celebrate Passover.
10. An ancient Hebrew dry measure of approximately one-half gallon.
11. Counting Omer (S'Firat Ha-Omer).
12. To commemorate the ancient offering of an Omer of barley which was brought to the Sanctuary on the second day of Passover and the counting of forty-nine days or seven complete weeks until the festival of Shabuot. (Leviticus XXIII, 15-16).
13. The Jewish farmers from all parts of Palestine used to make a pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem during the Passover Festival.
14. The wise son (haham); the wicked son (rasha); the simple son (tam); and the son that is unable to inquire (she'eno yodea lish'ol).
15. It is customary to donate funds for which matzot and other Passover products are purchased and distributed among the poor and needy. The fund gathered for this specific purpose is known as "Ma'ot Hitim" (literally, "Wheat money").
16. The store-cities Pitom and Raamses.
17. Four hundred and thirty years.
18. About 600,000 men on foot besides children (Exodus XII, 37).
19. The bones of Joseph.
20. Independence Day.

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THE MOUNTAIN JEWS OF THE CAUCASUS ARE BRAVE AND PROUD

By H. Teper

I have travelled through many lands, visited many countries; I have studied the people and their customs. No country, however, has left such an impression of romantic memories on my mind as the Caucasus. Principalities, powers and systems pass, but the mountain land, where two continents, Europe and Asia, meet, will always attract and stir the imagination of men.

The ancients called it the ring of mountains which encircle the earth as a ring encircles a finger. The poets of the East named it Jabl Assum, the mountains of languages and miracles, for the languages of the mountains are numerous and the miracles related in those languages are without end.

For thousands of years the Caucasus, the giant wall dividing Asia from Europe, has been the home of the most interesting of races, the most adventurous of customs and the strangest of experiences. It is the curiosity shop of world history and a paradise of archaeological research. The Caucasus are the military crossroad of the world where all boundaries merge and all ages converge. Here the powers of hundreds of races have been dashed and spattered against the rocky ranges by all the tides of immigration of history.

The races of the Caucasus have no unity; Christians, Mohammedans, Jews and Pagans live there cheek by jowl. People of ancient and magnificent culture, like the Georgians, the Armenians or the Azerbaijans, are neighbours of rough tribes. Though their speech and customs differ, there is a great amount of uniformity: hospitality and chivalry are sacred laws to all the nations and tribes who live in the Caucasus. Dress also is universally similar; all bear weapons of the same form, including the mountain Jews.

Common to all too, is an incredible love of liberty. My friends the Caucasian Jews, with whom I studied at the Saratov University on the Volga, could testify to my statement. They are brave, proud Jews, who defend even with their blood any challenge. Their Jewish origin, which they could easily hide because of their physiognomy and because their way of life is so like that of the Caucasians, was proudly advertised—"Ja Evrey" ("I am a Jew"). The humility which the ghetto Jews acquired throughout the years of wandering and suffering is entirely alien to them.

There is little wonder that the mystic river Sambatyon, across which the lost ten tribes are supposed to live, is thought to be in the Caucasus, in Arabia or somewhere in China. It is not surprising, therefore, to find that the first revolutionary training centre in Russia was among the blue mountains of the Caucasus, and among the first revolutionaries were many Caucasian Jews, who wanted to avenge their brethren who were slaughtered in the many pogroms in Czarist Russia. Like all the Caucasians, the mountain Jews possess a spirit of revenge; they will not forgive an enemy easily.

The Jews of the Caucasus or, as they are called, there, Dagh-Jughutlari Mountain Jews, are the descendants of the Semitic Jews who lived in small numbers among the "Kuzrim" (Khazars), a Tartar race who were converted to Judaism. Traces of the Khazar Empire can be found in the district of Astrakhan, Crimea, and in the Caucasus.

Unlike the Khazars, who were later converted to Islam, the Semitic Jews withdrew into the Caucasian mountains. Here, beneath diamond sparkling glaciers, amidst rustling forests and the roar of chill, rushing rivers, warmed by the hottest Russian sun and washed by the warmest sea, they found a haven of security and rest. Gradually, however, they became wild in the unusual and rough surroundings, but they have remained real Jews, Jews who deeply feel the cry of their brethren in the Diaspora, and who fearlessly fought the many hooligans during the civil war, whose policy was "Kill the Jews and save Russia". I have seen them fight like lions, and die like heroes.

There are many races in the Caucasus who confess their Jewish origin with pride: the Kumuks, Nogai Tartars and the Georgian clan of Uria (Uria in Georgian means a Jew). The Dagh-Jughutlari Mountain Jews, however, are the only ones whom I met in the Caucasus, besides the Jews who have immigrated during the last century, who have ample proof of their Jewish origin.

The mountain Jews are a self-contained Caucasian race, though leading the same life as all the Caucasian races; they do not mingle with the others, and possess many customs which are peculiar to themselves. They have long forgotten the former glory of the Khazar dominion, and have even lived down below in the plain and ruled an Empire together with the Turkish nomads.

At first when I visited the villages of these Jews, I noticed no difference in their manners from those of other communities. The houses and the dress of the inhabitants did not differ at all from those of the Caucasian villages. Even the houses of prayer completely resembled the mountain Mosque. But as one entered their houses, where the father of the family with the usual bow welcomed the visitor, the difference became noticeable. The wife of the host appeared with a basin of water and washed the feet of the visitor according to the custom of the Old Testament. Everything in the house was governed by the Old Testament.

The mountain Jews know no other law and live by the laws and customs based mostly on the Old Testament. During the week they carry swords and daggers, which they lay aside only on the Sabbath. They till slightly more soil than they require so as to give to vagabonds and poor, who do not beg.

They have a small school in every village; the Rabbi is both a teacher and a priest, but he is not expert in the law; he answers all questions on laws, customs and history with the words "*Ma amgaares*" ("I am an ignorant man") and humbly advises that they should ask the Chacham Bashi — the Chief Rabbi in Derbent, a town on the Caspian Sea in Daghestan. This Chacham Bashi who lives in Derbent is the mountain Jews' only authority and the only person in the Caucasus who knows and interprets the laws and customs of the fathers. When the Chacham Bashi dies, all the Jews go into mourning, and collect money to send delegates to Jerusalem, which is 650 miles away, or Constantinople, about 600 miles away, to find a new Chacham.

The language spoken by the Jews is of a Persian dialect, which is also spoken by Azerbaijan, Bokharan and Persian Jews, but the names which they bear are the most peculiar Biblical names. My friend's name was Nakhshon, and such names as Zufania, Jephthah, Jehoiakim and Achimatz are the commonest men's names. The wo-

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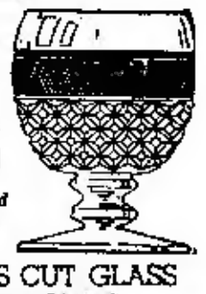

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schneider (nee Rose Lansky), Decarie Boulevard, a son, Neil, brother of Stanley, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 20; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L. Lansky, St. Urbain Street, who are the [illegible] and of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Avenue. Mr. Schneider, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stein (nee Rita Butterman), Lavoie Place, a son, brother of Neil Henry, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 26; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Butterman, Grosvenor Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stein, Hutchison Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tarshis (nee Ethel Baranovsky), Ridgewood Road, a daughter, Ellen Lee, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on March 11; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Baranovsky, Durocher Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tarshis, Cote des Neiges Road; great-granddaughter of Mrs. Ida Samuelson, of Burlington, Vermont.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hyman Leckner (nee Shirley Manel), St. Joseph Boulevard East, a son, Frederic Robert, brother of Susan Madeline, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 11; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. Manel, St. Urbain Street; and of Mrs. Rose Leckner, Querbes Avenue, and the late I. Leckner. Godparents are Mrs. Rose Leckner, grandmother; and O. Leckner, great-uncle, Maplewood Avenue. Mr. Manel, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Trachtenberg (nee Freida Berger), 5475 Queen Mary Road, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 8, a son, John, brother of Linda; grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Berger, of Montreal; and of Mr. and Mrs. N. Trachtenberg, 370 Fairmount Street, who are also the godparents. L. Engler, 1209 St. Viateur Street West, uncle, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lutsky (nee Gertrude Quint), Bernard Avenue West, a daughter, Phyllis, on March 28, at the Jewish General Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Quint, Bernard Avenue West; and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lutsky, Park Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Yanow (nee Lillian Levine), Victoria Avenue, a son, Joel Robert, brother of Stephen, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on March 14; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Levine, de l'Epee Avenue; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yanow. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Levine, of Belleville, Ont. Murray Yanow, Decelles Avenue, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Selinger (nee Edith Pellat), Clark Street, a daughter, Anna Carol, sister of Stephen, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 22; granddaughter of Mrs. B. Pellat, Clark Street, and the late P. Pellat; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Selinger; great-granddaughter of B. Bialick, St. Urbain Street; and of Mrs. M. Copple, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schechter (nee Ruth Bane), Waverley Street, a daughter, Freema Leen, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 23; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bane, Waverley Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. I. Chaplin (Caplovitch) (nee Pauline Goldman), Hutchison Street, a daughter, Beverley Marion, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 23; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldman, of London, England; and of Mr. and Mrs. L. Caplovitch, Esplanade Avenue; great-granddaughter of Mrs. S. Caplovitch, Clark Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Fleischer (nee Lucy Hosat), Queen Mary Road, a son, Howard, brother of Sharon, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 21; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hosat, St. Urbain Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bram Rubinovich (nee Mavis Kussner), Lacombe Avenue, a son, Ian Michael, at Herbert Reddy Memorial Hospital, on March 30; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kussner, MacDonald Avenue; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Rubinovich; great-grandson of Mrs. Sonia Moscovitch, Decarie Boulevard. Godparents are Mrs. W. W. Boyd, of Vancouver, B. C., and Bernard Isaacs, Aberdeen Avenue. Fred Packer, Vendome Avenue, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weinrauch (nee Lenora Braunstein), Fulton Avenue, a daughter, Anne, on March 28, at the Jewish General Hospital; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Braunstein, Hingston Avenue; and of Bernard Weinrauch, Davaar Avenue, and the late Mrs. Weinrauch.

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Passover Lemon Filling:

Mix together two heaping tablespoons potato flour with three-quarters cup sugar. Add one and one-half cups water, and bring to boil. Add the juice of two lemons, and grated rind of one. Then add two egg yolks, and cook, stirring constantly, until thick. Pour into the baked pie-shell, cover with a meringue made of the two egg-whites and bake in moderate oven until meringue is brown.

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The maximum penalties may be fines of $500 and jail sentences up to one year, imposed in county courts. The division's activities have been confined, since the original discrimination law was enacted two years ago, largely to cases arising in employment.

The new act extends the field to education, recreation and places of public accommodation including hotels, restaurants, taverns, theatres, swimming pools, bath houses, boardwalks, gymnasiums and bowling alleys.

The measure, sponsored by Grace M. Freeman, Essex County Republican, incorporated recommendations of the state commission on civil liberties, set up in 1947 by Governor Driscoll with Dr. Wilbour E. Saunders, headmaster of Peddie School, as chairman.

The Senate amendments, in which the house concurred completing legislative action, transferred discrimination appeals from the superior courts and replaced regional advisory councils on discrimination with municipal councils. The municipal councils, appointed by local chief executives, will aid in solving local discrimination problems. The amendments were adopted 54 to 0.

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Calls Finding Of Scrolls In Palestine A Hoax

The recent discovery by wandering Bedouin of ancient scrolls comprising the book of Isaiah and other Hebrew writings, which caused a sensation in scholarly circles, were declared to be "not an important discovery, but possibly a hoax," by Dr. Solomon Zeitlin, Professor of Rabbinical Literature at The Dropsie College, in Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Zeitlin, one of the world's leading authorities on the Second Commonwealth, the era preceding the time of Jesus, made this charge in an article, "A Commentary on the Book of Habakkuk-Important Discovery or Hoax", appearing in the current issue of the Jewish Quarterly Review published by The Dropsie College, of which he is co-editor.

The new discoveries, which have been hailed by Dr. John C. Trever, of Duke University; Professor Millar Burrows, of Yale University; and Professor Eleazer L. Sukenik, of the Hebrew University, in Jerusalem; as belonging to the pre-Christian era, would, if authentic, make them the earliest Biblical writings in existence. Hitherto, the earliest Biblical manuscript known dated from the eight century, A.D. These recently-unearthed scrolls, including the "Book of Isaiah," the "Commentary on Habakkuk", and the "Sectarian Document" were reported by Dr. Trever to have been discovered by wandering Bedouin straying in the vicinity of a cave near the northern end of the Dead Sea. The scrolls were enclosed in jars. The Bedouin took the scrolls to the Moslem Sheikh in Bethlehem who, thinking that the script was Estrangel Syriac, suggested that the Syrians in Bethlehem might be willing to buy them. It was thus that the scrolls finally came into possession of the library of St. Mark's Orthodox Convent in Jerusalem.

Dr. Zeitlin said that if these scrolls are of authentic pre-Christian era vintage, "this discovery could well be rated as one of the greatest discoveries in modern times." He explained that if this material were written before the time of Jesus, it would change a great deal of our interpretation of Jewish history in the period immediately preceding the Christian era. But, he said, "these claims to antiquity are not only open to doubt, but it is difficult to defend their validity once the documents are subjected to critical analysis."

Dr. Zeitlin said that there is "a clear indication" that these documents date back to the Middle Ages, rather than to the pre-Christian era. He expressed the fear that Professors Trever and Burrows "in the tremor of excitement that they were handling the most ancient copy of Isaiah, a hitherto unknown commentary on Habakkuk, and a Document belonging to a pre-Christian sect of which no other trace has been left," had accepted, without proof, the statement that the Bedouin had found them in jars in a cave near the Dead Sea.

"It is indeed extremely regrettable," Dr. Zeitlin said, "that the Bedouin were not thoroughly interrogated by scholars. There is not sufficient evidence to establish that the scrolls came from the cave. More regrettable is the fact that we do not have the jars in which the Bedouin stated the scrolls were found. Regarding the jars, Dr. Trever says, "the Bedouin claimed that they had taken some of the jars that had not been broken, and were using them for water jars." To establish the antiquity of the scrolls, other overwhelming proofs must be advanced and the jars produced to determine the dates. It seems that the entire find is not an important discovery, but possibly a hoax."

Dr. Zeitlin advances a number of scholarly hypothesis to prove that the documents discovered were from the Middle Ages rather than the pre-Christian era.

Discussing the Sectarian Document, he said that it had many points of similarity to the fragments of a Zadokite work hailed some forty years ago by over-enthusiastic scholars as a great discovery, but now acknowledged to be of the Middle Ages. In both Documents, said Dr. Zeitlin, "the word El (Aleph Lamed) appears several times as the Divine name. The names Jehovah and Adonai are not found. During the period of the Second Commonwealth, the words Jehovah and Adonai were used for the name of God. This is true of the post-Exilic books, Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah. It is also true of the apocryphal literature. Had the Sectarian Document belonged to the period of the Second Commonwealth, the author would have used either the name Jehovah or Adonai, both which were in vogue among the Jews. The use of the word 'El' by the author, clearly indicates that it was written during the Middle Ages. The similarity of the Sectarian Document and the fragments of the Zadokite, in this and other respects, is indeed so remarkable as to indicate that they were composed during the same period. Is there not a possibility that they came from the same place?"

Of the Commentary on the Book of Habakkuk, Dr. Zeitlin said that "far from being an ancient book, it clearly belongs to the Middle Ages. It is axiomatic that the Jews did not write commentaries on the prophetic book during the period of the Second Commonwealth. The very need for commentaries did not arise until a much later period."

Dr. Zeitlin concludes that the Commentary of Habakkuk and the Sectarian Document, photostats of which he has examined, as well as the copy of the Book of Isaiah, which was found with the other scrolls, must be classified "as belonging to the Genizah Documents; (Medieval Hebrew manuscripts found in Egyptian synagogues) thus they have no connection with the history of Judaism during the Second Commonwealth, nor with the history of inter-testamental studies." (The period between the Old and the New Testaments).

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men's names are: Avigail, Penina, Kerenhapuch, Achsah, Jemima and so forth.

Most of them are peasants, landworkers and small merchants, who do not like leaving the mountains. They do not believe that Jews have only one wife, for among them polygamy is permissible. An outstanding feature of their character is hospitality. As soon as a stranger enters their village he immediately becomes one of them, especially when the visitor is a Jew. The reception which they give to a stranger is sometimes overdone. The guest sits on the floor in the middle of the room; by his side are all the notable people of the village; the host and the younger people must not sit down, nor take part in the meal. The host and his sons serve the guest. After endless washing and praying in the Hebrew and Persian languages the food is handed round; fruit of great variety comes first, then comes the second course, garlic, which is handed round and consumed in enormous quantities on bread. Garlic and fruit are the favourite dishes of the mountain Jews.

The main dish, however, is a freshly-slaughtered sheep; it is the special dish in honour of the visitor. He may share it with the older diners. The custom of the Jews demands that the visitor must consume the best part of the head himself, and this consists of the sheep's eyes. It is impossible to decline this honour; the host would take the refusal as an insult. After the course of sheep's eyes a sequence of dainties of the same nature are handed around; after that the company turns to the sweets, and then the banquet closes with pure honey. Then everybody sits and waits until the guest rises; all who are present must do the same.

The sons of the host bring water for rinsing the hands and mouth. The young men, who have been standing against the wall all the time, are now permitted to fall on the remains. Women do not appear during the meal. Like all the Orientals, they, too, consider women unworthy to take part in any festivals. The Jewish woman is easily recognizable; she wears her hair hanging in a bag, which is attached to her head, as it is improper to show one's head without a covering. Only a woman's husband may take the bag off his wife's hair. If any one tears a woman's bag off by force, he is prosecuted as a violator of women, and this is one of the greatest offences in the Caucasus.

Though these Jews have forgotten even the legends of the old Khazar Empire, the neighbouring tribes still tell stories to show how dangerous it is to undertake anything against the Jews. Many legends are in circulation concerning [illegible] Shah of Persia, who was trying to conquer the Caucasus. The Jews left the turbulent plains and withdrew into the mountains. After the Jews had departed the Khan of a certain village decided to build himself a new palace. This palace was built of Jewish gravestones. Three days after the palace had been occupied the Khan died, soon afterwards his family and many of the other inhabitants also died. Since then the palace, which is still in existence in the Kuba district, has been unoccupied; nobody dares to set foot in it. The Mohammedan population, who were afraid of further punishment, sent for the Chief Rabbi of Derbent, who, by his prayers, turned God's wrath away from the Mohammedans of the village.

There are also many tribes in the Caucasus who claim Jewish origin. The inhabitants of Imeretia, the ancient Iberia in Georgia, are, however, the most interesting; they maintain that they are descended from the Jews who emigrated to the Caucasus in the days of the Babylonian captivity. The philologists support that claim, because the ancient "Iberia" comes from the word "Huber," meaning "the comer." They are universally considered the most resourceful and cunning barristers and orators of the Caucasus. Even the Royal Family of Imeretia claim to be the oldest and noblest race of rulers in the world. This is the famous race of Bagration — "he who comes from Mount Zion", which can be proved to have been of royal rank for three thousand years. The Bagrations claim direct lineal descent from King Solomon, King David and from Moses. They are the proudest people of the Caucasus.

During the last century a Bagration emigrated to Russia, where he took part in the Napoleonic wars. Alexander, the first Czar of the Russians, offered him the hand of his sister, which was refused by the proud Bagration. The daughter of one who ruled over one-sixth of the earth was far from being the peer of a Bagration. The Bagration family ruled in Imeretia right down to the 19th century; to this day the trees may be seen in the capital of Kutais beneath which the last King of Imeretia, Solomon the Second, held a Court of Law. The same king was driven out by the Russians after a heroic battle.

The Caucasus are very rich in legends; some most remarkable ruins of old towns and temples point to the fact that not all of the traditional stories are mere fairy tales. The Caucasus have, therefore, become a veritable treasure house of cultural history, archaeology and ethnography. It is of great importance that the Jews pay attention to those forgotten tribes. For years they were treated as inferiors of the Jewish race. We have now reached the stage when spirit alone is not enough; a people must also possess "Kouch", audacity and bravery, and I dare say these are the outstanding qualities of the Mountain Jews.

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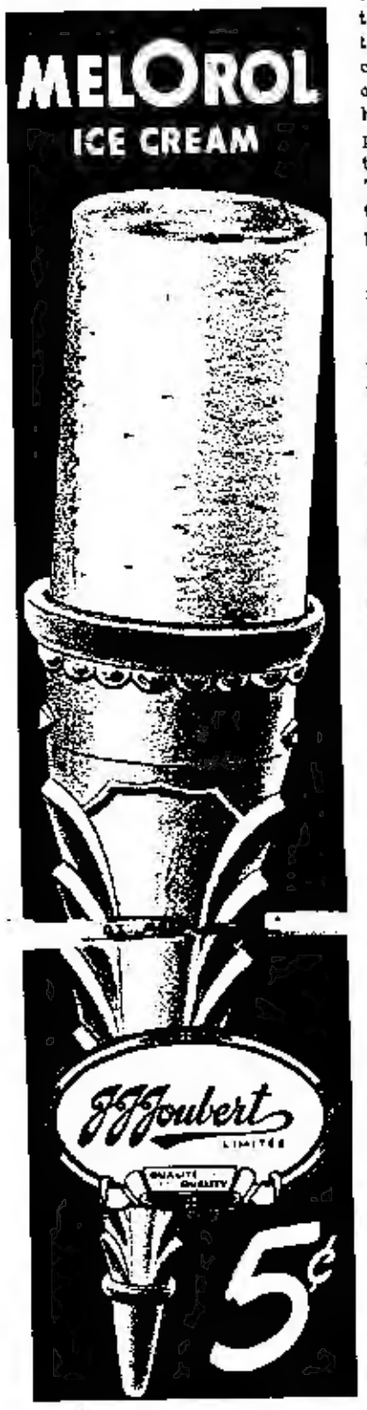

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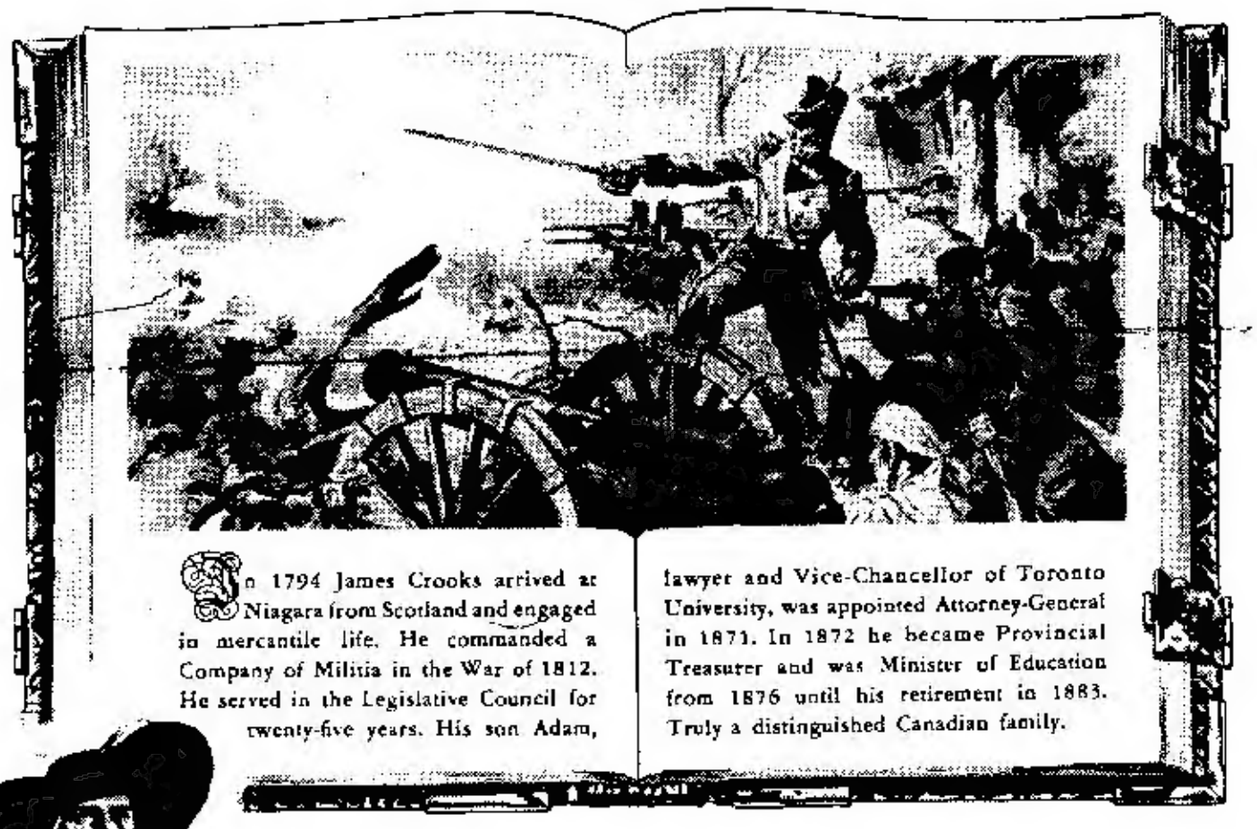
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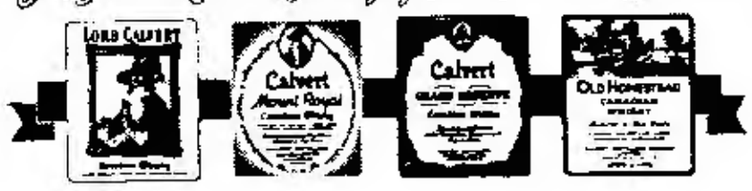

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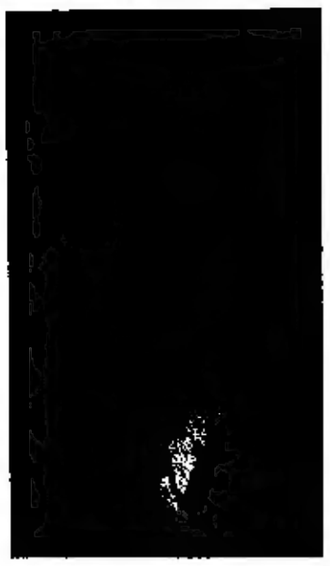

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Refugee Finds Kin A Block Away After Long Search

A twenty-month search of the city for the kinfolk of a 28-year-old Polish refugee, who lived no more than a city block from the relatives she sought, ended when they were reunited in the offices of the United Service for New Americans, 350 Broadway, New York.

The reunion that marked the end of Ava Miller's almost fruitless hunt and war-born loneliness was effected by a story in The New York Times in which the comely blonde woman, who lives today because of a trick she played on the Nazis, listed her meager clues.

Miss Miller, who came to New York in July, 1947, after losing her husband, Dr. Maximilian Spritzer; mother and sister at Auschwitz, walked into The Times office, despairing of ever finding Ann Sobel, a sister of Miss Miller's brother-in-law, Zigmund Sobel. She knew that Ann Sobel, now a physician, had married an American physician whose name she did not know, in Vienna some fifteen years ago.

She began her search shortly after her arrival in New York under the auspices of the Jewish Agency. She searched every possible source and traced every connection. The Times, she said, was her last hope.

The story attracted the attention of a physician at Bellevue Hospital who had attended medical school in Vienna with a young Polish medical student named Sobel. He turned to his colleague, Dr. Jacob Remler, who had also studied in Vienna at the same time and who had married the fellow student, Anna Sobel.

Dr Remler telephoned his wife, a psychiatrist at Manhattan State Hospital, and told her the news. Both were jubilant. On their own, both had spent considerable money, time and effort in tracing their own kinfolk.

In the offices of the agency, Ava Miller stood waiting nervously. The Remlers arrived singly, with Dr. Jacob Remler preceding his wife, by several hours. They embraced, tearfully and joyfully, as office help and reporters looked on.

Miss Miller said that until a month ago she had lived at 1203 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn. Dr Remler looked at her incredulously. His home is at 862 East Twenty-first Street, Brooklyn, some 300 feet away on the adjoining street. The apartment building in which Miss Miller lived while she carried on her search, he said, overlooks his own one-family, nine-room home.

The Remlers plan to take Miss Miller from her new Manhattan apartment to their home. A clerk in a Polish bank in New York, Miss Miller was at first employed as a beautician and hopes eventually to become a social worker. She is a graduate of a Krakow business college and has been studying intensely to augment her English.

Bnai Brith Former Head Was Noted Man

Alfred M. Cohen, honorary president of Bnai Brith, died in his sleep in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the age of 89. He had been in ailing health for the last two years.

Mr. Cohen served as president of Bnai Brith from 1925 to 1938. In February the national executive committee of the Order met to honor him at a banquet observing the Cincinnati lodge's centenary. A week later he was made an honorary member of the First United Church (Presbyterian - Congregationalist) which he had attended every Sunday morning for ten years as a neighborly gesture.

He had made a record for attendance at the Rockdale Temple, of which he was past president, having not missed a Saturday service for more than seventy years except in cases of illness or absence from the city.

During his presidency of Bnai Brith, Mr. Cohen furthered most of its present activities, including Hillel Foundations, youth organizations and vocational service bureau. In 1936 Bnai Brith founded a $100,000 colony in Palestine in his name.

In March, 1937, Mr. Cohen resigned as chairman of the board of governors of Hebrew Union College, of which he had been a member since 1901, chairman since 1918. He continued to serve as a member and honorary chairman.

Born in Cincinnati, Mr. Cohen attended the public schools there, and in 1880 received his LL.B. from the University of Cincinnati. Since then he had practiced law in his native city, becoming senior member of the firm of Cohen, Hurtig & Cohen.

As a Democrat Mr. Cohen served two terms in the Ohio State Senate, 1897-1900, and he was president of the Ohio electoral college in 1913, 1933, 1937, and 1941; a member of the college in 1917. He was chairman of the Negro Welfare Division of the Cincinnati Community Chest.

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THE MAGICIAN

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shawl and we shall go to the first good neighbor."

Rivka-Beile, who had always obeyed her husband, choked back her tears and wrapped herself in her old, torn shawl.

Said the newcomer, "I should like to be a guest at your Seder."

Chaim-Yoneh replied that they themselves had no Seder, to which the unseen guest retorted that he had brought the Seder along with him.

Rivka-Beile could not contain herself and burst out, through he sobs, "Mark?"

"I should say not; we'll have light," came the response. "Hocus-pocus!" And two silver candlesticks with candles all aflame appeared hovering in the air. The room lit up. Chaim-Yoneh and Rivka-Beile saw the magician before them and were struck mute by the wonder and fright of what they had witnessed.

The magician addressed the table which had been pushed into a corner: "Well, there, my lad, get your

ed and hostess entered, calling out, Gut Yom-tov!"

They both replied, "Gut Yom-tov," though they were unable to see whom they were addressing.

"Now," said the magician, "we need Pesach thrones. Let there be Pesach thrones!" And from three corners of the room, chairs moved over to three sides of the table. The magician commanded them to grow wider, and they became armchairs! "Softer," he cried, and lo, the chairs were padded with red velvet. Pillows descended from the ceiling to settle on the chairs, and there were the Pesach thrones!

Then, at his command, a Pesach platter with all the herbs appeared on the table, as well as ruby glasses, beakers of wine, matzo, and everything else which goes to make up a Seder — even gilt-edged Haggadahs!

"If you have no water with which to wash, I can produce that, too," cried the magician.

At that, both dumb-stricken people came to life. Rivka-Beile whispered close to her husband's ear, "May we touch all these things?" Chaim-Yoneh was at a loss to know what to answer. She advised him to ask the Rabbi, but he said her to go instantly since he was afraid to leave her alone with the magician.

"No," said Rivka-Beile, "the Rabbi would question the babblings of a foolish woman and would only think her mad."

So they both went to the Rabbi, leaving the magician alone with the Seder.

The Rabbi told them that whatever a magician produces is only an illusion, and is not real. Therefore, they were to go home, and, if the matzo could be crumbled, the wine poured, and the pillows felt, they would know that this was all a gift from Heaven, sent for their enjoyment.

With thumping hearts, they returned to their home. They entered to find the magician gone and the Seder still standing as they had left it. The pillows were soft to the touch, the wine poured, and the matzo crumbled. Then they knew that their guest had been the prophet Elijah, and they spent a happy Pesach!

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The initial stages of a drive to raise $6,000,000 to establish a medical school at Yeshiva University, in New York, have been so encouraging that the university is working on specific plans for the school, according to Dr. Elihu Kats, president of the fund raising committee.

So far the planning has been limited to investigating possible buildings and localities and sounding out various hospitals, to discover where the school should be placed. The considerations, said Dr. Kats, are to find a spot that is easy to reach and near a hospital with which reciprocal arrangements can be made. It is not expected that the school will be close to Yeshiva College, 185th Street at Amsterdam Avenue.

The proposed medical school will be open to all applicants on a basis of scholarship alone, with no restrictions as to race or creed, according to the plan. Yeshiva, which is America's only Jewish university, was founded in 1897 as a theological seminary. It became a university in 1946 and offers post-graduate courses in literature, language, mathematics and other studies. The medical school would be its first professional school.

Work toward a medical school was begun in 1947 with the formation of a society for the advancement of pre-medical studies at Yeshiva University. This group raised funds enabling the university to augment its curriculum, faculty and laboratory equipment in order to give pre-medical training under the standards set by medical authorities. This training was begun in 1948.

Then the group was renamed the Society for the Establishment of a Medical School at Yeshiva University. This group now has 1,500 members, including doctors, business men, educators, Jews and Christians, and is headed by Dr. Kats.

Was Head Of Matzoh Firm Founded By Father

Joseph Manischewitz, of 330 Central Park West, president of the B. Manischewitz Baking Company of Jersey City and Cincinnati, matzoh manufacturers, died in Miami Beach, Florida, of a heart ailment, after a long illness. He had been spending a long vacation in Florida. His age was 62.

Born in Cincinnati, a son of the late Rabbi Dov Ber Manischewitz, founder of the company, he received a strict Talmudic training. The Manischewitz matzoh business, which was started in Cincinnati, did not open its New Jersey plant until 1930.

Joseph Manischewitz remained in Cincinnati until ten years ago, when he moved his home to New York and became secretary of the company with his headquarters in Jersey City. When his older brother, Jacob U. Manischewitz, who had been president of the company since 1915, died in 1942, Joseph succeeded him.

Another brother, Rabbi Hirsch Manischewitz, vice-president, died in October, 1943. A third brother, Max Manischewitz, also a vice-president of the company, died in August, 1947.

Joseph Manischewitz leaves his wife, Mrs. Bess Manischewitz; two sons, D. Beryl Manischewitz, vice-president of the firm, and Robert Manischewitz; a daughter, Mrs. Leon Meadow; three sisters, Mrs. Mayme Finkelstein, Mrs. Rose Roggen and Mrs. Rae Prensky, and three grandchildren.

Was Authority On Jewish Law

Rabbi Louis M. Epstein, former president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, died in New York at his home, 302 West Seventy-seventh Street.

Rabbi Epstein was born in Onixt, Lithuania, and came to America in 1904. He held the degrees of B. S. and A. M. from Columbia, an A. M. from Harvard and a D. H. L. and D. D. from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He held rabbinical posts in Dallas, Tex., Toledo, Ohio, and Roxbury, Mass., before joining Congregation Kehillath Israel in Brookline, Mass., which he had served for twenty-nine years when he retired in 1947.

Rabbi Epstein was an authority on Jewish law. He was the author of "The Jewish Marriage Contract" and "Marriage Laws in the Bible and the Talmud," and had contributed to "The Jewish Quarterly Review" and "The Proceedings of the American Academy for Jewish Research."

In 1945, Rabbi Epstein was awarded the Louis Ginzberg Citation of the Theological Seminary for distinguished contributions to learning. He was a member of the seminary's board of directors and a trustee of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies in Boston. He was a member of the Jewish Academy of Arts and Sciences, a member of the executive council of the United Synagogue of America and chairman of the Rabbinical Assembly's Committee on Jewish Law.

His wife was the late Mrs. Minnie H. Winer Epstein, also a leader in the Jewish community. Surviving are two brothers, Judge Samuel B. Epstein, of Chicago, and Dr. Joseph W. Epstein, of Cleveland.

A funeral service was held at the seminary, 3080 Broadway, at 122nd Street, New York. Rabbi Louis Finkelstein, president of the seminary; Rabbi Abraham A. Neuman, president of Dropsie College in Philadelphia, Pa.; and Rabbi Judah Nadich, of Congregation Kehillath Israel, officiated. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

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Montreal Meetings

● JEWISH GENERAL Hospital is inaugurating Sunday morning visits on April 17, with members of the men's clothing industry inspecting its facilities. Tribute will be paid to leaders of this industry for service to the hospital. Allan Bronfman, president of the hospital, will speak. Although these meetings are a prelude to the $746,000 building completion campaign, from May 9 to May 19, there will be no solicitation of funds. Expansion work is now under way and includes addition of 120 beds, increasing present capacity by over 50 per cent; an additional outpatient wing; nurses' training school and residence, the first under Jewish auspices in Canada; laboratory facilities and research laboratories; residence for internes, lecture hall for more than 400. During the fifteen years since the hospital was opened, 14,000 births have taken place there, or an average of almost 1,000 a year. Last year's births totalled 1,242. The hospital enjoys the lowest maternal mortality rate on the North American continent. For the campaign Allan Bronfman and A. H. Jacoby are campaign chairmen, Samuel Bronfman and Michael Hirsch, honorary chairmen; Sam[illegible], superintendent of the hospital, executive director; Fred Goldstein, secretary.

● Mrs. Samuel Bronfman, O.B.E.; H. S. Walser, H. E. Herschorn, all of Montreal, are members of the Jewish Center Division Committee of the National Jewish Welfare Board which is holding its sixth annual meeting on April 30 and May 1 at the Hotel Commodore, in New York.

● Clarence R. Gross, 4862 Jean Brillant Street, was appointed a member of the Board of Overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in New York. He is honorary secretary of Shaare Zion Congregation; and a member of the national executive committee of the United Synagogue of America. The Seminary trains teachers and rabbis for conservative synagogues; and has the world's largest and most extensive Jewish and Hebrew library. Graduates of the Seminary in Montreal, are: Rabbi Maurice Cohen, of Shaare Zion Synagogue; Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat, of Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue; Rabbi Jesse Schwartz, executive director of the Zionist Organization of Canada; Rabbi Samuel Cass, director of Hillel Foundation at McGill University.

● CHEVRA KADISHA SYNAGOGUE Sisterhood meeting is on Tuesday, April 26, at 2.30 p.m.; Mrs. F. Rusk will preside. Closing tea on May 17, at the Synagogue, will have as conveners Mrs. W. Cohen, Mrs. A. Gordon.

● SPANISH and PORTUGUESE Synagogue: Dr. S. Frank, Rabbi: Passover services, concluding days: Tuesday, April 19, at 8.15; Wednesday, at 8.45 a.m.; sermon, "Onward"; at 6.15 p.m.; Thursday, at 8.34, memorial services at 11 a.m.; sermon, "Life Everlasting". Sisterhood budget luncheon was at Ruby Foo's. The president, Mrs. Martin M. Goldsmith, thanked the conveners, Mrs. I. Blond and Miss Rachel Wolff. For raising the highest budget, Mrs. A. B. Regenstreif was presented with a silver pickle fork, donated by Mrs. S. Rosenberg; for the second highest, Mrs. S. Gibson was presented with a bottle of perfume, donated by Mrs. N. S. Ostro; for the most unique method of raising the budget Mrs. M. Prupas was presented with a butter dish, donated by Mrs. Max Fineberg. Mrs. A. Kramer won the door prize, a cannister set donated by Mrs. I. Blond. Next meeting of the Sisterhood takes place on Tuesday, April 26, at 2.30, Dr. Norman Viner speaking on "Psychiatry, A Review Of Current Tendencies".

● MIZRACHI WOMEN: Cohen-Kaplan Junior Chapter met at the home of Mrs. D. Zack, 3726 St. Catherine Road; Young Women's, at the home of Mrs. I. Wigdor, 2631 Soissons Avenue; Solomon Avigdor Lieff, at the home of Mrs. L. Deitcher, 835 Dollard Avenue; Dvora Brucha Schwartzbein, at the home of Mrs. A. Gordon, 109 Bernard Avenue West; Sally Finkelstein, at the home of Mrs. H. Cooperman, 2711 Maplewood Avenue; Esther Garmaise, at the home of Mrs. Jack Kunin, 4658 Decarie Boulevard. Dvora Brucha Schwartzbein and Solomon Avigdor Lieff had a joint money shower for Mo'ess Chittin and for aid of refugee children in Israel, hostesses being: Mesdames M. Sackner, N. Bindner, D. A. Weinberg, H. Schwartz, H. Tarder, M. Ashmiel. Cohen-Kaplan Senior Chapter movie show for adults and children is at the New Young Israel Synagogue on Sunday, April 17, at 2.30 p.m.; all welcome; conveners, Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Mrs. Simon Lazare. Proceeds will be for J. N. F. Dvora Brucha Schwartzbein Chapter meets on Monday evening, April 18, at the home of Mrs. S. Gottlieb, 178 Bernard Avenue West; Senior, at the home of Mrs. J. Chananie, 850 Dollard Avenue, on Tuesday evening, April 26. On Monday evening, April 18, Chapter meetings will be: Bnos Hapoel, at the home of Mrs. J. Roth, 3725 St. Lawrence Boulevard. Passover social; Aviv, at the home of Mrs. J. Nitkin, 2163 Maplewood Avenue. On Tuesday evening, April 26, Solomon Avigdor Lieff, at the home of Mrs. N. Resnick, 4276 St. Denis Street; Sally Finkelstein, at the home of Mrs. K. Spevack, 5556 Jeanne Mance Street. On Wednesday evening, April 26, Esther Garmaise, at the home of Mrs. L. Malus, 373 Bernard Avenue West. On Monday evening, April 18, Solomon Avigdor Lieff will give a Passover celebration, in aid of Israel, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Lieff, 3593 Decarie Boulevard. Rabbi Jacob David Lieff will be guest speaker; musical program.

● L. A. C. FRANK SCHWARTZ Memorial Club met at the home of Mrs. R. Dankner, 6265 Byron Avenue. A deposit of $100 was given on their pledge of $500 for Omnah, Pioneer Women project to aid refugee children in Israel. Mrs. S. B. Schwartz, president, and Mrs. R. Spector went to Ste. Anne de Bellevue Hospital with three cases of fruit, two boxes of apples, one case of oranges, donated by M. Crelinstein; one box of apples, donated by S. Botner; one box of oranges, by M. Marevitz; cakes and cookies; books, from Mrs. S. B. Schwartz, and from Mrs. A. Solomon, 866 Bloomfield Avenue; playing cards, from Mrs. M. Richler; books and cookies, from Mrs. B. Rusk, 6061 Park Avenue. The following meeting was at the home of Mrs. S. Serchuk, 7004 Champagneur Avenue.

● NORTH END VILKOMIRER Ladies Auxiliary, with Mrs. I. Weinstein presiding, heard Dr. David Kobernick as guest speaker. Mrs. M. Kirsch thanked him. Mrs. H. Turner won the raffle.

● HEBREW FRIENDLY CLUB meets on Saturday, April 16, at 8 p.m., at 5101 Esplanade Avenue, with N. Pritzker as host; and Mrs. R. Leibovitch as hostess. For information call LA. 6351, between 7 and 9 p.m.

● B'NAI BRITH WOMEN: Montreal Chapter Number 257 will see Mrs. Aaron Genser, 3495 Marlowe Avenue, installed as president at the annual meeting on Wednesday, April 27, at 8.30 p.m., at the Mount Royal Hotel, by Max Bernfeld, K.C., a past president of Mount Royal Lodge, and president of the board of Hillel Foundation at McGill University. Other officers are: Mrs. William Goldberg, past president, as counsellor; Mesdames A. Ostroff, A. Weisuler, M. Weinstein, Jack Solomon, Myer Robinson, J. Miller, M. Bronstein, A. Goldin, B. Goldberg, P. Wise, J. Sailer, N. Silver, D. Greenspoon. Laurentian Chapter will present their musicale, "Finian In Bnai Brith." Public Speaking Group met at the home of Mrs. M. Klugerman, 399 Edward Charles Street.

● ADATH ISRAEL Synagogue, Charles Bender, Rabbi: Services, Friday, at 6.30 p.m.; Saturday, at 8.45 a.m. Minha, 6.30 p.m.; Maariv, 7.00 p.m.; Tuesday, April 19, at 6.30 p.m.; Wednesday, at 8.45 a.m. Sermon: "The Unexpected Happens"; Wednesday, at 6.30 p. m.; Thursday, at 8.45 a. m. Sermon: "Life Or Living." Memorial prayers during morning services of the last day of Pesach. At the annual school carnival, Mesdames H. D. Cheifetz and I. Smith; and E. Sheinson awarded prizes for the most original costumes to: Mildred Stein, Marcia Ungar, Sydney Goldwater; honorable mention to Allan Bender, Brahms Barrer, Annalee Bloomberg, Lawrence Cohen. Bar Mitzvah Alumni heard a paper read by Michael Eisenstat on "Is Agriculture Or Industry To Dominate Erez Israel?" Rabbi Bender outlined the laws governing Passover. The cantor was Ralph Ordower; hostesses at breakfast, Mrs. A. J. Schacter, Mrs. C. Eisenstat. Reservations at the office for the tenth anniversary banquet on Tuesday, May 24.

● LAURENTIAN CAMP Juniors plan a miniature bazaar at 5711 Park Avenue, on Monday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., proceeds to aid Israel. Raffle of a $150 oil painting will be held, chairmanship of Mrs. M. Gilbert, proceeds to help create a scholarship fund for newcomers to Canada, from Europe, to aid in their education. No admission tickets are necessary. Mesdames L. Stein and L. Kolber are chairmen; Mrs. David Feldman is president.

● SHAAR HASHOMAYIM Synagogue, Rabbi, Wilfred Shuchat: Daniel Isaiah Gaisin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Gaisin, will be called to the Reading of the Torah on Saturday, April 23, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah. Junior Congregation services were held by: Mark Shapiro, Ronald Caps, David Cohen, Allan Hernfeld, Marvin Goldsmith, Mark Bercuvitz, Harold Shapiro, Arthur Stampleman, Mark Shapiro, Martin Payne (in honour of the anniversary of his bar-mitzvah), Charles Solomon, Stephen Bernstein, Michael Taub, Gordon Harris. Junior Congregation joins with the Senior Congregation during Passover. For the pageant, "The Jewish Home Beautiful", on Tuesday and Wednesday evening, May 3 and 4, in the Community Hall, a Torah Fund project of the Eastern Canadian Branch of the National Women's League, ticket conveners are: Mesdames I. Kert, FI. 4136; B. Matts, FI. 8870; E. Lasare, WI. 9358. At the eighth model Seder, sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' Association, Bernard Shapiro was master of ceremonies; the theme song was given by Brona Kraminer; kiddush, Harold Shapiro; introductory recitation, Beth Jacobs; invitation to the needy, Sidney Altman; the Four Questions were asked by Susan Miller and Ronald Seltzer. The Haggadah story was recited by: David Edelberg, Suzanne Finkelstein, Eleanor Fogle, Phillip Greenberg, Beverley Levitt, Stephen Lubinski, Morris Macklin, Rosalyn Mandelcorn, Carol Rosenblatt, Nancy Shapiro, Frank Yelin. The Passover symbols were explained by Barbara Freedman and Leslie Halpert; In Every Generation was read by Brona Kraminer; the thanksgiving was recited by Marilyn Lipsey and Maxine Strean; and Hillel's Custom was explained by Sheila Halpert and Lawrence Kalman. The grace was led by Harold Shapiro; invocation to Elijah, Mary Unterberg; Hallel, Mary Miller; prayer for acceptance, Bernard Shapiro; piano accompaniment, Mrs. M. N. Fineberg; table arrangements, supervision of Mesdames Nat. W. Jacobs, A. W. Lefcort, Victor Elkin, B. H. Fogle, Fred Packer. The floral centerpiece was provided by B. H. Fogle. Pre-school children of the Foundation School conducted a miniature seder. Ellen Greenwood kindled the candles; Edgar Pniewsky recited Kiddush. The Four Questions were asked by Philip Levine, Albert Wener, Diane Abbey. The Afikomen was found by Barbara Rubin; Samuel Ballon; Linda Cummings; Martin Lebovitz. The program included blessings and a brief form of grace. The children sang Passover and spring songs which have been compiled into a mimeographed booklet with illustrations suitable for colouring. It was the fourth birthday of Ronald Vineberg, and there was a cake provided by his mother, Mrs. S. L. Vineberg.

● DINAH LILY CAPLAN Social Service Group met at the new offices of Percy Caplan, 4429 St. Lawrence Boulevard, the counsellor of the Group, at which a report of the money shower and food sale was read. New outfits for Passover will be given to all D.P. children who are under the Group's supervision. Mrs. Philip Savage was chairman of the money shower and food sale. Mrs. Eva Blitstein is chairman of the Group.

● CANADIAN JEWISH Congress: A symposium on the future of Jewish culture in the light of the state of Israel will be held on Sunday evening, April 24, at the Jewish People's Schools. Abraham M. Klein, poet and critic; Joseph Opatoshu, of New York, Yiddish novelist and playright; J. Zipper, principal of the Peretz Schools, will participate. Dr. Arthur Lerner, chairman of the committee of the Jewish Culture Congress, which is sponsoring the symposium, will preside.

● TEMPLE EMANU-EL, Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: Passover services, Friday, April 15, at 8.15. Sermon: "Who Knoweth One?" Saturday, at 11.30 o'clock, sermonette; Wednesday, April 20, at 10.30, annual memorial service. Mother and daughter luncheon followed the annual Sisterhood Sabbath service in which Mrs. Katherine Wiener, Mrs. Jack Carrick, Miss Ada Stearns, Mesdames J. N. Neumann, Harry Joshua Stern, Justine Loeb took part. The mothers' address was given by Mrs. Arthur Pascal; daughters, by Miss Paula Pascal. The luncheon program, consisting of living pictures, "Prayers In Pictures", was presented under the direction of Mrs. J. N. Neumann. Mesdames George Rauch, I. Gertsman, J. Cooper, B. Yates, D. R. Miller, R. Fischel, W. Carin, J. Wiener, Stephanie and Justine Stern, Mrs. J. Roston, Mrs. J. Loeb. Mrs. A. Gerstenfeld was the piano accompanist. Assisting were Mrs. B. Joseph, Mrs. M. S. Singer. Annual Tombola of the Temple constituent societies takes place on Monday, April 25, at 8.00 p.m. Fifty prizes are offered. Those in charge are: Max Roth, Samuel Paperman, Mrs. G. Bornstein, Mrs. Maurice Garfinkle, George Rauch, Louis Cohen, Clifford Gittes, Mrs. Jack Carrick.

● HADASSAH Chapters meeting on Monday, April 18, at 1.30, are: Tel Hai, dessert luncheon, at the home of Mrs. H. J. Shuster, 4890 Melrose Avenue; Young Ladies Zionist, dessert luncheon, at the home of Mrs. C. Rosenthall, 4359 Girouard Avenue, with David M. Weiss as guest speaker. Chapters meeting at 2.30, are: Deborah, at the home of Mrs. L. Jason, 261 Rockland Avenue; Hanna Rifka Central, Mrs. M. Segal, 191 Querbes Avenue, president, is entertaining members and friends at a Youth Aliyah tea; Kadimah, at the home of Mrs. S. Sacks, 6200 de Vimy Avenue; Queen Esther, at the Zionist Building, 2025 University Street, with Mrs. I. Hoffman as hostess; Shaare Zion, tea, at the home of Mrs. H. Star, 5443 Brodeur Avenue. Chapters meeting at 8.30, are: Emos Israel, Mrs. D. Greenberg, 1336 Lajoie Avenue, at home to members and friends at a tea and meeting; Miriam Brainin Ortenberg, at the home of Mrs. E. Schneiderman, 1523 Lajoie Avenue; Nathan Dlusy, tea, at the home of Mrs. M. Schauber, 3741 Kent Avenue; Negev, tea, at the home of Mrs. S. Cukoff, 4889 Hutchison Street, with Mrs. Blanche Wisenthal as guest speaker; Rachel Anna Leavy, tea and card party, in aid of Youth Aliyah, at the home of Mrs. C. Perstman, 4622 Hutchison Street. Chapter meeting Monday, at 8.30, is: Lillian Freiman, tea, at the home of Mrs. D. Applebaum, 611 St. Germain Avenue. Naomi Chapter plans a movie and Bohemian supper night for Saturday, April 23, at 8.15 p.m., at the Zionist Building. Entertainment; door prizes. Conveners are: Mrs. P. Silverstone, president; Mesdames B. Adelman, Samuel Yellin. Call Mrs. Silverstone, DO. 4817; Mrs. Adelman, CR. 8357, for reservations; tickets at the door. Sholom Chapter dinner and card party on April 30, at 7 p.m., is at the Zionist Building. Members will contribute home-cooked products. Mesdames J. Winthrop, EL. 2902, convener; W. N. Carin, CA. 7966; S. Marks, EL. 4008, co-chairmen, will take reservations.

● JEWISH HOSPITAL of HOPE seventh annual meeting had Jack R. Bogarte, K.C., presiding. He said that the total deficit is $231,904.48. "Fifty-six per cent of the patients hospitalized in the Jewish Hospital of Hope in 1948 were indigent and charitable cases who paid nothing for their maintenance and eighteen per cent of the patients were public cases," he said. The women of the Units contributed $34,204 in 1948. Dr. J. Kaufman, chairman of the medical board, cited the institution as unique in welcoming chronically ill patients. H. Gertler, honorary financial treasurer, submitted the financial report. Operating expenses for 1948 were $100,222.51 with an operating income of $61,749.77, leaving a net operating deficit of $38,472.74. As regards the building fund he stated that the total amount available for construction purposes, including the provincial hospital grant of $200,000, is $500,000. He stressed the fact that the amount was inadequate and that further help will be required for the expansion program. The ever-increasing cost of food, supplies and salaries have increased the cost of administering the hospital by 35 per cent during the last three years. It is hoped that the government will allow a greater per diem amount for the maintenance of indigent patients. A. Schneiderman, chairman of the executive committee, said that the expansion program involves the building of a home for employees and nurses, the enlargement of the present hospital building, and the addition of two wings, to increase the accommodation to 150 beds and provide essential medical departments such as physiotherapy and occupational therapy, urgently needed for the type of patients at the institution. As a tribute to the accomplishment of the women of the units, the constitution of the hospital was amended, providing for the inclusion of one woman as a member of the executive Committee, to be elected in a manner to be decided by the Council of Units. Others who spoke were: Mrs. S. Cohen, chairman of the Council of Units; W. V. Victor; I. Simpson, chairman of the board of trustees; M. Ginsburg. The following were elected to the board of administration: A. Fleisher, H. Gertler, M. Gross, J. Hubscher, J. Uditsky; to the board of trustees: S. Berkowitz, B. Beutel, M. Finkelstein, B. Locker, D. Migicovsky, S. Pesner, H. Pugash, M. Schneiderman, Mrs. J. Susser, B. Weinrauch, S. Wichert. Units meeting on Monday, April 18, at 8.00 p.m., are: Sara R. Stein, at the home of Mrs. N. Levine, 716 Fulton Street; Tikvah, at the home of Mrs. H. Tulin, 5270 Waverley Street, social; Chaim Rovzen, at the home of Mrs. S. Gordon, 956 Davaar Avenue; Hesha Berson, at the home of Mrs. H. Berson, 4403 Esplanade Avenue; Goodwill, at the home of Mrs. M. Etcovitch, 3973 Henri Julien Street; Chasie Small, at the home of Mrs. S. Gordon, 5476 Esplanade Avenue. Unit meeting on Tuesday, at 8.00 p.m., is: Hershel Staviss, at the home of Mrs. L. Goldenblatt, 4539 Colonial Street. Units meeting on Wednesday, at 8.00 p.m., are: Feige Bookman, at the home of Mrs. S. Stark, 19 St. Catherine Road; Fraid, at the home of Mrs. C. Clamen, 5852 Hutchison Street. Unit meeting at 2.00 p.m. is: Mordecai Baker, at the home of Mrs. S. Cohen, 805 McEachran Avenue, at a tea.

● PIONEER WOMEN'S Organization: Shoshana Hareli, American-born woman leader in Israel, who arrived in the United States to

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Social Notes — Toronto

Paul Soles, of Western University, at London, Ontario, is spending the Passover holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Soles, Strathearn Road.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Salkowitz and son, Michael, Fairleigh Crescent, are spending the Passover holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Katz, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bernstein, 72 Westholme Avenue, have as their guests the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sican, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving D. Wintrob and sons, Raymond and Jonathan, Glenayr Road, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Cohen, of Montreal, Que., for the holiday.

Mrs. Rosa Zoker, of Roumania, has taken up residence with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Shugar, Rosemary Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Schipper, 364 Northcliffe Boulevard, have returned from New York where they spent several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenberg, 21 Strathearn Road, had visiting them for several days, their daughter, Miss Naomi Rosenberg, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sporn, Claxton Boulevard, have as their guests for the Passover holidays, Mr. and Mrs. M. Brown and sons, Dennis and Howard, of Long Beach, Long Island, N.Y.

Miss Myrna Goldcher, of New York, is visiting with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sussman, 200 Northcliffe Boulevard, for the Passover holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Shugar, Rosemary Road, spent several days in Rochester, N.Y.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Leslie and children, Ellen Ruth and Raisyl, 17 Vesta Drive, are spending the Passover holidays in Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller, of Montreal, Que., are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levine, 2 Newgate Road, for the Passover holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Sandler and children, Rivanne and David, Strathearn Road, are spending several days in New York, and Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Goldenberg, Burnside Drive, have visiting them for the Passover holidays their son, Dr. L. Goldenberg, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Shelman, 314 Rosemary Road, are spending two weeks in Atlantic City, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sacter and son, Robert, 202 Vesta Drive, are spending the Passover holidays in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Morrison and daughter, Karen, formerly of 16 Eleanor Street, have taken up residence in their new home at 733 Broadview Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rubinoff, 68 Gloucester Grove, spent several days in Buffalo, and Rochester, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Citron and son, Paul, 665 College Street, have taken up residence in their new home, at 10 Peveril Hill South.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Greenstein, 141 Rusholme Road, spent several days in Montreal, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Rapp, 414 Richview Avenue, had visiting them for several days, their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Shaul, of Buffalo, N.Y.

Mrs. S. Roth, 152 Glen Cedar Road, has returned from Miami Beach, Florida, where she spent several weeks.

Mrs. Samuel Cohen, 58 Cheritan Avenue, is spending several months in Birmingham and Leeds, England, having sailed from New York on the Queen Elizabeth.

Mrs. E. Schwartz, Wineva Avenue, has returned from Miami Beach, Florida, where she spent several weeks.

Mrs. J. Hyman and son, Stanley, 306 Rushton Road, are spending the Passover holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Diamond, of Brockville.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Goodman, Borden Street, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Goodman; and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. Nisker, all of Markham Street, spent several days in London.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Zimmerman and son, David, 485 Palmerston Boulevard, are spending the Passover holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Scholnick and sons, Perry and Ira, of Detroit, Mich.

Out-of-town guests at the marriage of Diane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Unger, 48 Howland Avenue, to Sydney, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Winick, 306 Crawford Street, were: Mr. and Mrs. L. Stolberg, Mr. and Mrs. I. Stolberg and son, Albert, of Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. D. Walsberg, of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. N. Walsberg, of Canton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. S. Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. C. Steinberg, Mr and Mrs M. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. S. Better, Mr. and Mrs. N. Ager, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Steinberg, E. Steinberg, of Chatham; Mr. and Mrs. S. Gross, of New York, N.Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Teitleman, A. Teitleman, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mrs. E. Cohen, of Montreal, Quebec, spent several days visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. N. Schwartz, Wineva Avenue, after a stay of several weeks with the latter in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Brass and daughter, Beverley, formerly of 409 Spadina Avenue, have taken up residence at 508 Manning Avenue.

Out-of-town guests at the marriage of Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Gottlieb, 249 Brunswick Avenue, to Ralph, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Halpern, 360 Crawford Street, were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Gevercer, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gotlieb, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. I. Galek and daughters, Trudy and Adelaide, of Buffalo, N.Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. C. Coopersmith, of Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. I. Karp, Claxton Boulevard, entertained at a supper in honour of Miss Frances Bernholtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bernholtz, Dewbourne Avenue, prior to her marriage to Arthur Chapkin, son of Mrs. D. Chapkin, Nassau Street. The head table was decorated with red tulips, daffodils, and carnations, and Mrs. Karp was assisted by her daughters, Mrs. B. Cowan, Humewood Drive, and Mrs. A. Lent, Oriole Crescent, in serving about twenty guests. Also entertaining for Mrs. A. Chapkin were Mrs. J. Roth, Cortleigh Boulevard, and Mrs. L. Pencer, Castlefield Avenue, at a luncheon at the Prince George Hotel.

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DEATHS

Mrs. Minnie Gluklick, aged forty-nine, of Peterborough, died on April 3. She is survived by her husband, Mark Gluklick; one daughter, Mrs. L. Snow (Adele), of Peterborough; three sisters, Mrs. S. Shapiro (Rose), 225 Grace Street; Misses Molly and Eva Ramstein, Rusholme Park Crescent, all of Toronto; two brothers, Benjamin Ramstein, 201 Lauder Avenue, Toronto; and Morris Ramstein, of New York. Mrs. Gluklick was president of Bnai Brith Women, of Peterborough. Funeral took place from Benjamin's Funeral Parlour, in Toronto, with Rabbi R. Slonim officiating. Shiva was at Peterborough, and 201 Lauder Avenue, Toronto.

Mrs. Goldie Lecovin, aged eighty-seven, widow of Benjamin Lecovin, died on April 10. She is survived by a daughter, Miss Anne Lecovin, Wales; two sons, Morris Lecovin, Henry Street, and Harry Lecovin, Winnett Avenue; three grandchildren, Beatrice and Gerry Lecovin; Henry Street; and Marilyn Lecovin, Winnett Avenue. Funeral took place from Benjamin's Funeral Parlour. Rabbi S. Langner officiated. Burial was in Roselawn cemetery. Shiva at 41 Wales Avenue.

Mrs. Molly Shopsowitz, aged sixty-nine, died on March 25. She is survived by her husband, Jacob Shopsowitz, 31 Grange Avenue; two daughters, Mrs. J. Pelcovitz (Pearl), Phoebe Street; Mrs. I. Lishewitz (Elsie), Grange Avenue; one son, Samuel Shapiro, Spadina Avenue; five grandchildren, Betty and Leo Pelcovitz; Saul and Shirley Lishewitz; Linda Shapiro; and one Manning Avenue. She was a member sister, Mrs. S. Glass (Gertrude), ber of the Folk's Farein; and Kelzer Synagogue, where funeral services took place. Burial was in Dawes Road cemetery. Shiva was at the home.

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Toronto Meetings

● MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL Auxiliary tea, in aid of Mount Sinai Hospital, will be given on Sunday, April 24, from 2 to 7 p.m., at the home of Mrs. William Engel, 9 Robinwood Avenue; convener, Mrs. E. F. Singer.

● JEWISH CAMP COUNCIL: Camp Fundale, a home camp for boys and girls from 7-13 years of age, will again be operated this summer at Woodbridge, Ontario, it was announced by Mort Levy, chairman of the committee. The camp, at Fundale Park, nineteen miles out of Toronto on the Humber River, is operated by the YW-YMHA for the Jewish Camp Council. Fundale offers a complete camp program including sports, swimming, crafts, games, music, storytelling. The camp operates five days a week, Mondays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the children bring their lunches. There are three camp periods: June 30 to July 21; July 21 to August 11; August 11 to August 31. Applications and further information from the Jewish Camp Council, 780 Spadina Avenue, PRincess 5201.

● ROKEAH PHARMACY CLUB presents "A Salute To Israel", dance and variety show, featuring Sully Mason, singer, and six other headline acts, on Thursday, April 21. Proceeds will establish dispensary and clinic, in Nitzanim, Israel. Committee: I. Milton, M. Grossman, A. Sossin, H. Segal, S. Wise, M. Roher, C. Nimon. The effort for Nitzanim was suggested by A. Silver, one of the two Canadians to receive an invitation to the forthcoming Weizmann-Truman dinner in New York.

● BNAI BRITH Young Women Chapter Number 13: Members who attended the Motza Ball in Buffalo, N.Y., were: Misses Molly Goldstein, 221 St. John's Road; Sylvia Midanik, Rushton Road; Sylvia Bomstein, Spadina Avenue; Lilian Sokolsky, 424 Markham Street; Ruth Goodman, 14 Rushholme Road; Mary Malkin, Rushholme Road; Toby Mortfield, 203 Arlington Avenue; Dorothy Schatz, 472 Ossington Avenue.

● BNAI BRITH Upper Canada Lodge fourth annual dinner was at the Royal York Hotel. Leon Weinstein, first vice-president, Eastern Canadian Council; and S. Midanik, past president of the lodge, installed: president, Cyril Houser; Harry Magder, Sydney Harris, Bert Krieger, Jack Parlow, Morris Vigoda, Wolfe Wineberg, Lou Enchin, Arthur Alstedter, Nathan Ginsberg, Harry Alexandorff, Leonard Berger, S. Cohen, Leon Katz, Joseph Rosen, Ruben Super. Past presidents were: Phillip Givens, Sydney Midanik, and Louis Enchin. Guest speaker was S. Moscovitch, K.C., past president, District Number One.

● BAIS YEHUDA SISTERHOOD meeting, with Mrs. S. Lewis presiding, heard Rabbi A. Kelman and M. Kramer speak. A cheque for $600 for Youth Aliyah was presented to Mr. Kramer by Mrs. E. H. Sporn. For the tea, on Sunday, May 1, from three to seven p.m., at Bais Yehuda Synagogue, conveners are: Mrs. S. Lewis, Mrs. S. Goodman.

● BNAI BRITH Toronto Lodge Number 836, and Toronto Chapter Number 434, held a joint installation dinner and dance at the Royal York Hotel. The new executive of Toronto Lodge is: president, Dr. Alexander Lipson; Jack Cowan, E. W. Gladstone, Murray Ehrlick, Frank Herbert, Max B. Ennis, Milton Shekter, Max Cole, Alex Hertzman, Frank Garber, Nathan M. Pivnick, Sydney Sugarman, Harry J. Pachter, Jack D. Pearlstein, Leon Pape. Executive of Toronto Chapter Number 434 is: Mesdames Harry J. Pachter, president; Norman Cowan, Meyer Sulman, Alex Citron, Robert Kesten, Aaron Wolfe, Frank Brillia, Edward D. Winer, Samuel Wise, Maurice Shugar, Samuel Stork, Maurice Sone, S. Caplan, R. Aiter, Evelyn Shekter. Committee chairmen of Toronto Lodge are: Norman Cowan, Harry J. Pachter, Al. Bryce May, Frank Garber, Frank Herbert, Ben Sugarman, Max B. Ennis, Jack Cowan, Isadore Markus, Jack D. Pearlstein, E. I. Shapiro, Jewish Camp Council; Ben Grossman, Irving Ross, E. W. Gladstone, Saul Kaufman, Samuel Zackheim, Leon Pape, M. Mentel, A. Moses, Murray Ehrlick, H. L. Barron, A. A. Muter. Committee chairmen for Toronto Chapter Number 434 are: Mesdames Jack Pearlstein, Norman Cowan, B. Davis, Frank Levine, Samuel Abrams, Samuel Stork, Robert Kesten, Henry Donsky, A. Cohen, Meyer Sulman, Samuel Caplan, S. Woolf, Maurice Shugar, M. Cohen, S. Stulberg, Edward Winer, M. Lavine, Samuel Zackheim, David Silverton, A. Wintre, Samuel Spencer, Meyer Sulman, David Kofsky. Mrs. Evelyn Shekter, Jacques Barruch. Co-chairmen in charge of arrangements were: A. A. Muter, A. Wolfe. Committee: Norman Cowan, Mrs. Maurice Lavine, Harry Pachter, A. Moses, Isadore Markus, Louis Herman, K.C.; S. Sugarman, Murray Ehrlick, Jack Cowan, Mrs. Maurice Sone, Fred Catzman, Mrs. M. Cohen, Harry Barron, Mrs. Norman Cowan, E. Winer.

● HADASSAH: Pearle Goodfellow Chapter annual tea is on May 28, at the home of the convener, Mrs. L. Rapp, 414 Richview Avenue. Weizmann garden party, and food and gift sale, on June 7, at the home of Mrs. M. Weiner, 419 Lytton Boulevard, has as convener, Mrs. C. Frileck. Nordia meeting was held at the home of Mrs. F. Coleman, 54 Fairleigh Crescent. Western Passover tea, April 17, is at the home of Mrs. M. Cotfried, 328 Rushton Road, convened by Mrs. J. Schlesser, who will convene the garden party, June 13, at the home of Mrs. L. Salkovitch, 21 Croydon Road. Closing luncheon is on May 30, at the home of Mrs. M. Dennis, 65 Walmer Road, convener being Mrs. M. Dennis. Scopus meeting is on April 25, at the home of Mrs. F. Goldberg, 1595 Bathurst Street. Kadimah closing luncheon, May 2, is at the Primrose Club, the convener being Mrs. J. Gould; annual spring tea at the home of Mrs. J. Gould, 67 Heathdale Road, on May 19; meeting on April 18, at the home of Mrs. C. Rotstein, Bathurst Street. Sholom meeting was held at the home of Mrs. L. Horowitz, 360 Walmer Road. Queen Esther meeting, on April 18, is at the home of Mrs. S. Sugar, 23 Camberwell Road. Herzlia tea and cake sale, on May 1, is at the home of Mrs. M. Levi, 392 Glencairn Avenue. Tea convener is Mrs. A. Ginsburg; cake convener, Mrs. A. Baker.

● PIONEER WOMEN: Club Negev met at the home of Mrs. M. Cornblum, 684 Bathurst Street, with Mrs. S. Pearl presiding. Annual bazaar will be held on May 18, at the Labour Lyceum, convened by Mrs. M. Cornblum. Mother's Day tea has Mrs. H. Greenapan convening. For the dance at Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 805 Dovercourt Road, on May 15, conveners are: Miss Frances Ash and Mrs. G. Goldford.

● HEBREW WOMEN'S SOCIAL Service Convalescent Home are holding a variety show on Sunday, April 17. Ticket conveners are: Mrs. L. Applebaum, ME. 7502; Mrs. S. Ely, LA. 0389.

● UNITED JEWISH WELFARE Fund: Miss Florence Hutner, executive director, has been appointed to the National Committee on Regional Services of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, to guide field services to communities, and develop studies for strengthening community organizations.

● BNAI BRITH Young Women: Members of Rose Goodman Chapter who attended an organization dance in Buffalo, N.Y., were: Misses Nettie Rotman, May Baker, Bessie Resnick, Shirley Geller, Sonya Koffman, Joyce Kay, Lilly Bain, Rose Sherman, Ida Flatt.

● MOUNT SINAI CHAPTER of Royal Arch Masons are giving their annual spring dance on May 12 at Club Top Hat, for members and immediate friends. Committee chairman is Harold Sayles, 1438 Yonge Street; phone RA. 9988.

Montreal Meetings

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serve as delegate of the Moatzat Hapoalot, the Working Women's Council of Israel, to Pioneer Women will be the guest speaker on April 17, Sunday evening, at a council meeting at the home of Mrs. L. Palmek, 484 St. Joseph Boulevard West, Mrs. M. Kravitz presiding; on Monday, at a seminar, at 5392 Jeanne Mance Street, Mrs. I. Rosen presiding; on Monday evening, open meeting at Cardy Hall, Mount Royal Hotel, Mrs. M. Surchin presiding. Mrs. Hareli will tour the United States and Canada, speaking before Pioneer Women's Clubs, on the work among immigrant women and children in Israel. A third-generation American on the maternal side, Mrs. Hareli was born in New York in 1908, and educated there and in Providence, Rhode Island. Her grandfather, Joseph Stamper, famous among Palestine pioneers, emigrated from the United States to Palestine and founded the Petagh-Tikvah agricultural colony. Mrs. Hareli went to Palestine to live in 1931, and became active in the working women's movement. During World War II, she became a recruiting officer for the A.T.S., the Palestine equivalent of the American W.A.C.'s. In 1943 she was elected secretary member of the Working Mother's Organization for Jerusalem. In 1946, she was transferred to Haifa, as secretary of the Working Mother's Organization, administering many social services, including day nurseries, immigrant centres, vocational schools, and similar projects for refugee women and children.

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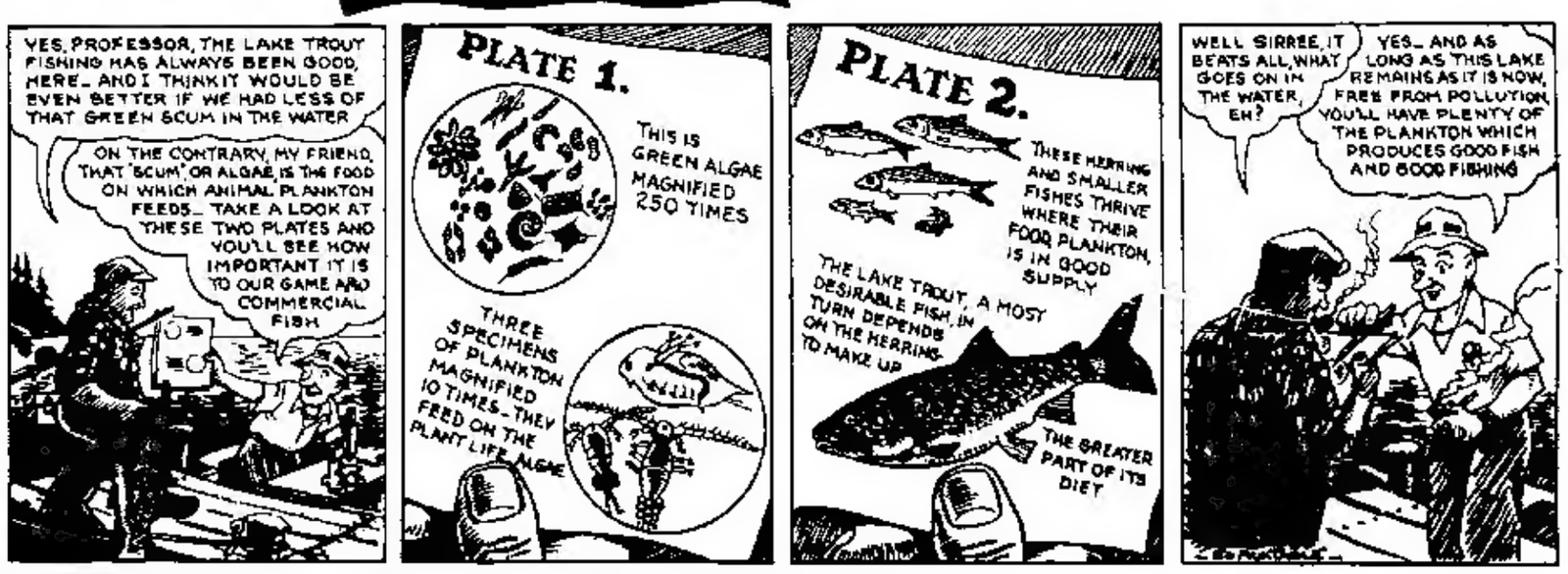
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Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

The New Israel

(Excerpts from address given by Dr. Stern before the Montreal Lions Club)

Palestine is a speck on the map in comparison with Canada and the United States. Yet from a spiritual point of view Palestine is perhaps the greatest of all lands, precious to Jew, Christian and Mohammedan. Since the Biblical days of the Judges, Jews have constantly dwelt in Palestine. Here, in this land, Israel gave to the world the Bible, the concept of monotheism, the great prophets with their message of universal righteousness and universal peace. Here too, Judaism, the mother faith, gave birth to other great religions, namely Christianity and Mohammedanism.

Now, in the year 70 of the Christian era, Palestine was laid waste by the Romans, and Jews became wanderers over the face of the earth. The story of the wandering Jew for the past 1900 years is one of the saddest chapters in all human history. Persecuted in most lands and tolerated in but few, the Jew was made the world's historic scapegoat whenever and wherever the world retrogressed spiritually.

Amidst the tragic story of blood and tears of these 1900 years two great hopes have sustained Israel. The first of these is the religious faith of the Jew, which gave purpose and meaning to his suffering. Collective Israel has as its mission to bear witness to God and to God's moral law, and to work for the establishment of God's kingdom on earth.

Another hope which sustained Israel has been that of national redemption. Thrice daily the Jew has prayed for the restoration of Zion. This prayer was answered on November 2, 1917, with the issuance of the Balfour Declaration. This declaration was affirmed by fifty-two sovereign states and became part of the League of Nations Mandate. Through the Balfour Declaration Israel and Great Britain entered into a holy covenant. Jews by the thousands came to Palestine, colonized the land, cleared the swamps and through reforestation brought life to the neglected soil. Much of the country, too, was industrialized and Palestine became the most model community of the entire East.

But, alas, World War II was in the making. The mandatory power, following the policy of appeasement, adopted the White Paper of 1939, which spelled a breach of a solemn pledge made to the Jewish people. Through this paper, land sales were restricted to Jews and immigration practically stopped after a period of five years. Nevertheless, during the War the gallant and trusted friend of the Allies was Jewish Palestine. Thirty thousand Palestinian Jews served in the Armed Forces and thousands of Jews voluntarily enlisted in the various war services. Most Arab lands were either neutral or pro-Axis. The Grand Mufti himself rushed to Berlin to be by the side of Hitler. But Jewish Palestine throughout the tragic World War II proved to be the arsenal of democracy of the entire Near East.

After the war world Jewry expected that justice would be meted out to Israel. I need not repeat the debates concerning the Jewish National Home which took place before the United Nations. On November 29, 1947, the United Nations Assembly finally brought in a compromise solution to the Palestine problem by dividing the little land into two states, one Arab and one Jewish.

Jews accepted the United Nations decision although it proved far from satisfying all that Israel was entitled to under the League of Nations. The Arabs resorted to arms. Five Arab states with well equipped armies swooped down upon the Jewish community of Palestine. In the spring and summer of 1948 the battle of life and death was fought by Israel with the Arabs, and you well know that Israel gave a splendid account of itself and drove back the Arab legions. As I speak to you today I rejoice that Egypt, Lebanon, and Transjordan have already entered into armistices with Israel. We trust that soon these armistices will be transformed into peace settlements with all Arab states.

In January 1949, elections were held in Israel since on May 14, 1948, only a provisional government of Israel was in existence, and a war had to be fought when the mandatory power withdrew from the land, and it was thought by some that Israel would be conquered within a short space of ten days only. On February 14, 1949, the elected Parliamentary Assembly met in Jerusalem with Dr. Chaim Weizmann as president. After ten months, since its establishment, the State of Israel is a going concern and constitutes a bastion of freedom and democracy in the Near East.

Yet, indeed, Israel has refuted the historians. Israel is the only people in history which has suffered exile and has returned to the land and undergone a national revival. We are comforted by the fact that in the ten months since the proclamation of Israel a hundred and seventy thousand immigrants entered the land, and it is estimated that when the new state observes its first anniversary on May 15 next, it will have given a home to a total of two hundred thousand newcomers.

The accomplishment of the Jews in Palestine offers the Arab world a ready blue print for the regeneration of their countries. The Jews in Palestine have demonstrated that neither poverty nor the degradation of the land is beyond redemption. They have converted the desert into a garden. They have halted and pushed back the deadly march of the desert.

What the Arab lands are cursed with is absentee landlordism. The most tragic person in the Near East is the lowly fellah and he must be redeemed from serfdom. Not nationalism is the threat, but absentee landlordism, and if the masses of Arabs' lands are to be saved from Communism, statesmen of democratic lands must help bring about the urgent agrarian reforms. The most helpful message that comes out of Jewish Palestine is that of the principle of collectivism, which is carried through in the cooperative colonies; and that the rights of the individual are protected, as formulated in the draft constitution of the new state.

From the State of Israel a new message will yet go forth for mankind. Even as in ancient days the prophetic message came from Zion and redeemed mankind, so a new vision out of Israel will make it possible for man to build a new bridge between science and spirit, and the reconciliation between nations will yet be motivated by the new spiritual concepts that will come from the new Israel.

ISRAEL NEEDS

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tual ban on Jewish emigration from Rumania and Hungary where more than 500,000 middle-class Jews who were displaced economically by Communist regimes constitute the largest European reservoir of immigration to Israel.

The first signs of worsening relations between the Soviet bloc and Israel came from Rumania, where there are about 400,000 Jews. The Government agreed last July to allow 1,000 to sail to Israel monthly. Then the Communist-controlled Jewish community councils of Rumania and the Zionist Organization quarrelled over who should register and select immigrants. Each group opened registration offices. This rivalry led to clashes when Zionist offices and clubs were raided.

The Rumanian Government sided with the Communists and permitted 3,600 Jews who had registered with the Communists to sail in January. Further emigration was then stopped. The ban touched off further clashes and a series of demonstrations. The Government cracked down, arresting seven Israelis on Zionist fund-raising and immigration-promoting missions. A series of repressive measures were culminated this month with the outlawing of Zionist activities.

Hungary, which has about 150,000 Jews, followed Rumania, outlawing Zionist work and deporting Israelis on Zionist missions. There had been no large immigration to Israel from Hungary.

The action by Rumania and Hungary brings them in line with the Soviet Union, which outlawed Zionism thirty years ago.

Immigration to Israel from other Soviet bloc countries is continuing. Poland again is issuing passports at the rate of fifteen daily after a six-week suspension because of the transfer of the passport issuing authority. Czechoslovakia agreed to permit 20,000 Jews to proceed to Israel, while Bulgaria and Yugoslavia placed no limits on the number.

Strained relations over the question of immigration is not reflected in other spheres. Hungary recently signed Israel's first commercial treaty and agreed to allow Israel to pay for part of the goods involved with the funds of Hungarian Jews, thus in effect allowing the transfer of Jewish currency from the country.

Dr. Gershon Meron of the Israeli Foreign Office is now visiting Prague and Warsaw, seeking similar agreements. Poland recently permitted a ship to sail to Israel with wheat purchased with Zionist funds subscribed by Polish Jews.

The Soviet Union is said to have supported the creation of Israel because it drove the British out of one corner of the Middle East and created a heterogeneous wedge in the Arab world. The Russians apparently did not expect Israel to join the Soviet bloc but were content that the new state should be neutral.

NOTED AGRONOMIST

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After two years of farm work, in Lansing, Mich., he entered Michigan Agricultural College, from which he was graduated in 1908 with a degree of Master of Agriculture. Later he received a doctorate in agricultural chemistry from the University of Minnesota.

While at college he wrote a series of articles on American farming methods as applicable to Russia for Russian agricultural magazines. In 1908 the government of the Russian province of Ekaterinaslav established a bureau to study American farming methods with a view to their introduction in Russia, and named Dr. Rosen its chief.

During this period Dr. Rosen discovered the variety of winter rye named for him, which for ten consecutive years won prizes at the annual Chicago grain exhibition. He also introduced into Russia many varieties of corn and fodder crops.

From 1915 to 1918 Dr. Rosen directed the Baron de Hirsch Agricultural School in Woodbine, N.J., and headed the agricultural department in the New York office of the Petrograd International Bank of Commerce.

In 1921 he joined the staff in Russia of the American Relief Administration, headed by Herbert Hoover, as Jewish Distribution Committee representative.

Three years later Dr. Rosen began work on a project he conceived and developed, the settling on farms in the Ukraine and Crimea of Russian Jews who had been deprived of their means of earning a living by the 1917 Russian revolution. For this purpose the JDC organized Agro-Joint, which in 1928 became the American Society for Jewish Farm Settlements in Russia, Inc.

Dr. Rosen's initial plan called for resettlement of some 1,000 Jewish families, but as needs increased the project grew. By the time Agro-Joint concluded its activities in 1938, 250,000 Jews had been settled.

As a result of this project, which included industrial training for those unsuited to agriculture, the number of "lishentzy" (Jews deprived of citizenship rights) was reduced from 70 per cent in 1924 to 5 per cent in 1935.

In 1939 Dr. Rosen joined a special commission, appointed jointly by the British Government and President Roosevelt's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees, to survey possibilities of refugee resettlement in British Guiana. The same year he made a resettlement survey in conjunction with the American Friends Service committee in Mexico.

He leaves his wife, the former Katharine N. Shoubine; two sons, Eugene, of Washington; and Leo, of New York; and three grandsons.

A funeral service was held in Riverside Memorial Chapel, Amsterdam Avenue and Seventy-sixth Street. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise officiated.

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no connection with the American firm, Decca Records, Inc., which Mr. Kapp founded in 1934. Decca Records, Inc., had a tough time at the beginning, partly owing to defective materials in the records, and Mr. Lewis, still a staunch believer in his American friend, put up some more money.

Mr. Kapp's artistic friends, Bing Crosby, Al Jolson and the rest, rallied around, Mr. Crosby making records for Decca at a rate lower than that offered by one of its rivals, because he was convinced that the higher offer was merely a device to put his friend out of business.

At this critical time Mr. Kapp also bought the song, "The Music Goes Round and Round," for $125, which turned out to be a tremendous bargain.

The success of Al Jolson's "Sonny Boy," of which Brunswick sold 2,000,000 records in 1928, was another of his personal triumphs.

He had a remarkable talent for picking out best-sellers and a talent also for using singers and musicians in unconventional ways. Singers and actors whose names were widely known were used by Mr. Kapp for nursery songs or stories, Bible readings or Shakespeare, all artistically staged after the Kapp manner.

When James C. Petrillo's Federation of Musicians jammed the phonograph business with a demand for royalties, it was Mr. Kapp's firm with which the union first settled.

In 1947 Collier's Magazine featured Mr. Kapp in an article called "Vocal Boy Makes Good," which called him "the biggest man in the record business." Mr. Kapp was the subject of a recent editorial in Life, written personally by Henry Luce, its publisher.

Mr. Kapp leaves his wife, Frieda; a daughter, Myra; a son, Jonathan; and two brothers, Paul and David. Rabbi Milton Steinberg, noted author, conducted the funeral service at Park Avenue Synagogue, which was attended by leaders of the stage, screen and radio.

GREAT S.A. PIONEER

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severe, however, and he abandoned this venture four years later.

In recent years his son, John Schlesinger, represented him on all public occasions. The son, a Harvard graduate, served in the recent war as a bomber pilot, in the United States Army Air Forces.

Mr. Schlesinger was credited with doing more than any other individual to make South Africa a factor in the world citrus market. One of his orange groves, developed in the raw veldt, comprises 8,000 acres and employs more than 10,000 men. With well over 500,000 producing trees, it is said to be the largest citrus orchard in the world.

Mr. Schlesinger was a close friend of General Jan Christian Smuts, former Prime Minister of South Africa. In 1921, he went to London to negotiate a £5,000,000 loan for the South African government, then headed by General Smuts. Under a succeeding administration, Mr. Schlesinger was sent to Russia to open up trade with South Africa.

In 1936, Mr. Schlesinger put up $50,000 in prizes for an air race from England to Johannesburg to publicize South Africa's Empire Exposition and to stimulate air travel and trade between the two countries.

Mr. Schlesinger retained his American citizenship throughout his long career in South Africa.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mabel Schlesinger, and a son, John, of Johannesburg; a brother, Max A. Schlesinger, New York lawyer; and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Stark and Mrs. Esther Greenwald, also of New York.

An American visitor to the Union once said of him: "If he were in the United States he would be a world figure like Henry Ford or J. P. Morgan. He has the same degree of ability."

PASSOVER MESSAGE

By Samuel Bronfman, Belvedere Road, Montreal, National President, Canadian Jewish Congress

It will be in a new spirit and with memories of unusual felicity that Jews everywhere will this year approach the celebration of the festival of Passover. For since that festival was last celebrated, much, both of achievement and of promise, has transpired in Jewish life.

Hardly had a fortnight elapsed from the moment of the last paschal ceremonial of a year ago when from Tel Aviv there issued to the world the jubilee announcement that the new State of Israel had come into being. Jews who for the past decade had witnessed in their own lives the repetition of only that part of the Passover story which tells of suffering and persecution, were now at long last vouchsafed the blessing of witnessing also the fulfilment of the Passover promise of redemption and liberation. A new era had arrived; the nightmare of homelessness had indeed passed over.

Nor were the events which followed thereafter any the less in harmony with the glory and the wonder either of the historic proclamation or of the Passover saga they sought in a later day and on a wider scale to re-enact.

From the camps of Europe the epic of exodus was repeated once more. On the frontiers of Palestine the lesser pharaohs were again discomfited. On the world arena there came to the new State from sovereignty after sovereignty a sequence of recognitions which were at once tributes to its prowess and confirmations of its moral claim. An Israeli constitution, amalgamating the traditional concepts of Judaism with the highest ideals of contemporary democracy, demonstrated anew that the ethical fervour and social zeal of the prophets of old throbbed potent as ever in the heart of Jewry. And in the State itself, a legislative body, elected on a wide and generous franchise, opened the first Israeli Parliament since the days of 'The Great Congregation'.

For Canadian Jewry these events and successes have been of a manifold significance. They afforded pride both in the Canadian Government which implemented, and in the Canadian Jewish Community which aided, the solution which at last took on shape and reality. They meant that to thousands of our kin hitherto confined in the narrow alleys of indignity and frustration there had finally been opened the broad highway of history. They meant that to Canadian Jewry, as to all Jewry, there had been granted the grace of seeing an age-old wrong righted, an ancient tradition vindicated, and the old-new home established. They meant, too, that Canadian Jewry, its task of rescue and re-integration in large measure, though far from completely accomplished, could now in its own home on the Canadian scene intensify its educational and cultural activities.

Certainly this will be a Passover on which Jewry will have much for which to express its gratitude. It will do so with humility, knowing that all these things are not of man but of God. To that gratitude it will add, also the fervour of its hope, praying that, now that crises and emergencies are over, there should be given to the world, as to Israel, that long and fruitful peace which alone can give constructive meaning to the labours and the triumphs of the year that is past.

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ticular body than of any other category."

The brief commented:

"That statement is probably one of the most revealing ever made in a legislative hearing. No suggestion was made in the testimony that naturalized American citizens sympathetic to the Zionist aspiration of creating a Jewish state in Palestine were insincere or untruthful in renouncing their original allegiance or in taking the oath which bound them to this country.

"No suggestion is made that they have been guilty, at any time, of defection from American loyalties. Nor is it suggested that their desire to visit or to reside for a time in Palestine is based on motives which are not equally shared by many native-born citizens of Jewish ancestry or faith.

"What therefore was implied in the statement of the State Department's spokesmen was the view that the persons in question, namely, naturalized American citizens sympathetic to the Zionist ideal, should in some manner be discouraged from developing, by visit or temporary residence, association with Palestine or from expressing, by such action, their support of the Zionist program."

The brief noted the state of Israel had since been born, and added: "To uphold today a statute directed mainly against the territory now organized as a state which our government so warmly has supported, and governed by an administration with whom our relations are so cordial would be an unfriendly act and in flagrant violation of the international policy of our country."

Memorial Forest in Honour of Israel Defenders

Israeli soldiers plant saplings in memory of their fallen comrades. The Jewish National Fund calls on Canadian Jewry to participate in the planting of trees in the Defender's Forest in Israel. The name of contributors to this project will be listed in a special volume to be presented to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of Israel.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
2025 University Street
Montreal, P.Q.

Enclosed please find my gift of $ for the planting of trees in honour and memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in defence of the State of Israel.

It is understood that my name will appear as a contributor in the volume to be presented to Dr. Chaim Weizmann on his visit to this continent during the latter part of April.

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